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## Council Refuses Eminent Domain Land-Taking

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

Town Council turned a unanimous thumbs down on a proposal for the town to take land from the West Springfield Fish and Game Club for a sewer easement to provide sewer service to a 10-lot subdivision on Garden Street.

According to Department of Public Works Superintendent John P. Stone, Agawam developer Thomas Russo Jr., requested that the town provide a sewer connection to a 10-lot subdivision to be known as Logan Woods after he was unable to acquire an easement from the fish and game club.

The request was made under a section of the code that allows a developer to ask the town to install sewers at the expense of the developer (through the adoption of a betterment assessment in order for the town to recoup the cost of providing sewer service).

Without the sewer easement, four of the lots will be served by septic systems because there is no sewer line in Garden Street to serve the subdivision. The neighboring Franklin Street Extension sewer line is too shallow to serve the rear lots at Logan Woods, according to Stone.

To provide sanitary service to all 10 lots at Logan Woods would require a connection to the Mill Street-Garden Street Interceptor Sewer, which runs along the brook 120 feet north of Russo's property line on land owned by the sports club.

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## Honoring Our Agawam Senior Games Athletes

Agawam City Councilor Nancy E. Thompson recently put forth a Resolution honoring the Agawam Senior Games Athletes (ASGA).

In a letter to her fellow councilors, Thompson stated, "This group has consistently worked hard to support their activities. They have also achieved successfully in competition, representing Agawam in a positive and proud manner."

She continued, "We, as a community and in particular as the City Council, need to publicly thank each member of the ASGA. I am confident that each of you will join me in unanimous approval of this Resolution. I also suggest that we, as the Council, present a framed copy of this Resolution to representatives of ASGA at either our August or September 1999 meeting."

The Agawam Senior Games Athletes really showed their stuff at the Massachusetts Senior Games this year, bringing home over 50 medals in billiards, 10-pin bowling, candlepin bowling, discus, golf, lawn bowling, long jump, javelin, racquetball, shot put, tennis, table tennis, and swimming. The games were held at Springfield College and surrounding sites on June 11th, 12th, and 13th.

SEE ASGA - Page 4...

## No More "School Days" For Them!



LAST MONTH AT Alexander's Restaurant in Feeding Hills, a retirement party was held for several Agawam High School educators. Saying "good-bye" to the pupils of this town are (from left to right) Jo Anne Bertrand (Special Education), Jacqueline Pressey (History), Robert Lester (Business), Elizabeth Prew Ryan (Family and Consumer Science), and Charlotte Shimel (Librarian). The faculty, administration, staff, and student body of Agawam High School offer these retirees best wishes in all of their future endeavors.



PICTURED ABOVE are the members of the ASGA (Agawam Senior Games Athletes) who recently won medals at the 1999 Massachusetts Senior Games. Held on June 11th, 12th, and 13th, the games took place at Springfield College and surrounding sites. Congratulations to all of the local winners! Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**LAND-TAKING - from Page 1...**

The Board of Health voted in favor of the plan, which Stone maintains would have provided the best sanitary service to the future residents of the subdivision.

Even though several councilors said they believed the sewer easement would ultimately have benefited the Fish and Game Club, the vote was 9-0 against the proposed land-taking in light of the stiff opposition from club members and the promise of a court challenge from the club's attorney.

Taking umbrage at the club membership for not joining the fight against Berkshire Power, Councilor Edward Caba said he felt badly about some of the comments made during Citizen's Speak Time and over the telephone at his home.

"It seems as if people are challenging us that we'll lose all the votes of the membership, but I don't think any of us are afraid of that," Caba said. "I think years down the road, Fish and Game would have benefited from this."

Councilor Gary Geiger said the sewer service would be the best option for Logan Woods and for the club in the long run, but the issue was a private matter between the developer and the fish and game club.

"I walked the property and I looked at the paperwork," Geiger said. "I think it's very sad when a person or a club has to hire a lawyer to protect their land. This is not a town matter. An amicable deal could be worked out between Mr. Russo and the club."

Council Vice-President Robert Magovern said the development could still be built without the

sewer easement with the installation of septic systems, but a valuable habitat would be destroyed by the installation of a sewer line. "I firmly believe the rights of the Fish and Game Club should be recognized and adhered to," Magovern stated.

Councilor George Bitzas said he did not believe the city has the right to take an easement by eminent domain when the property owner has the right to refuse the easement.

**Memo From Town Solicitor...**

In a memo sent to answer questions raised at the previous Town Council meeting, Town Solicitor Thomas S. Locke wrote, "The laying out of a municipal sewer line and the taking of an easement over privately owned property to do so are valid municipal purposes ... the proposed sewer line will be town owned and town maintained and not a private sewer line."

Responding to a letter from Attorney William J. O'Grady arguing against the easement, Locke said, "If you were to adopt Attorney O'Grady's logic, no town would be able to take sewer easements to provide sewer service to privately owned property. In addition, the Board of Health voted to support the town's construction of the proposed sewer line, rather than have the homes in question served by septic systems."

Expressing his client's vehement opposition to the easement in a letter hand-delivered to Council President Donald M. Rheault two weeks ago, O'Grady stated, "There is no authorization for a municipality to take private property for the benefit of an individual private developer. Such a taking is simply improper and will be challenged in the Hampden County Superior Court."

**Recreation Employees**



**MAYOR CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON** (far right) recently cited Recreation employees Nancy Pryce and Michelle Ferreira for exceptional service this past spring. Pryce, the department's administrative assistant, worked in the Recreation Office without a director from mid-February through the beginning of June; Ferreira finished the school year at Perry Lane Nursery School as the interim director, and was named the director for the 1999-2000 school year. Also pictured is Chris Sparks (far left), the town's new Recreation Director. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Auditorium, 68 Main St., Agawam, MA on **THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1999** at: 7:00 P.M. for all parties interested in the appeal of **LORI DONUTS, INC., C/O JOHN SALEMA** who is seeking relief from Section 180-44, Paragraph H of

**TOWN OF AGAWAM  
BOARD OF APPEALS**

the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for less than the required 50 parking spaces at the premises identified as: 152-160 **SILVER STREET.**  
Doreen Prouty  
Acting Chairperson

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Our deadline is each Tuesday at 12:00 noon; however, we appreciate any articles, press releases, etc., that can be brought in on Mondays. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter ... **ADVERTISER NEWS!!!**

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## Letters To The Editor

### Agawam Resident Responds To Debra Curtis' Letter

#### To The Editor:

While I very much admire Ms. Debra Curtis, pray she runs again for the School Committee, and can't wait to write her name in again — I'm very disappointed with her letter.

Ms. Curtis, with all due respect, my chemical addiction to nicotine is in NO WAY comparable to wife-beating or child abuse.

Do not insult me!

Owen R. Broadhurst  
Agawam

### Non-Smokers Should Try The Pond House On Main Street

#### To The Editor:

Attention, all non-smokers of Agawam!

On a recent evening, I dined in a charming restaurant. The menu was varied enough to satisfy anyone's taste. The food was well-prepared, and the portions were very generous.

The staff was gracious and attentive. I was pleasantly surprised at how reasonable the prices were.

This restaurant is in our town and caters only to non-smokers. To try this Agawam miracle, visit The Pond House on Main Street.

Sincerely,  
Millicent Barnard  
Feeding Hills

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#### AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Agawam Public Schools, Department of Special Services hereby notifies individuals, who were formerly enrolled in special services and terminated prior to July 1, 1994, that their special services records will be destroyed fourteen (14) days from the date of this publication. Anyone who wants their records must notify Agawam Special Services, 760 Cooper Street, Agawam, Massachusetts 01001, in writing by July 16th, 1999. After July 16th, 1999 the records will be destroyed.

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Doreen Prouty  
Acting Chairperson

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Doreen Prouty  
Acting Chairperson

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## Veterans' Corner...

by Ruth C. Bitzas  
Veterans' Agent — 786-0400, Ext. 236/237

### The Search Is On For Korean War Veterans...

The following is an excerpt from DAV News Service:

"The U.S. Korea 2000 Foundation, Inc. is looking for Korean War veterans to become part of the national and international events that will mark the 50th anniversary of the Korean War in 2000-2003. According to VA statistics, fewer than 20 percent of Korean War veterans belong to national organizations. The Foundation wants to locate the remaining 80 percent of men and women who were on active duty between June 25, 1950 and July 27, 1953.

"Immediate family members of deceased Korean War veterans are also encouraged to participate. Korean War veterans are asked to send their full name, complete mailing address, phone number, fax number, e-mail addresses, dates of military service in Korea, branch of service, and assigned unit or units to: U.S. KOREA 2000 FOUNDATION, INC., 4600 DUKE STREET, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304-2517.

#### NEWS FLASH:

CHAMPVA recipients are eligible for care at the VA. For more information, call Boston VA Medical Center's Women Veterans' Health Programs at (617) 232-9500, ext. 4120 or 5906.

#### VETERANS' SERVICES:

Wonder what Veterans' Agents do? We, in the Massachusetts Veterans' Agents Association, now have our own web site. It was activated recently, and I checked it out and found it to be a great vehicle in getting the word out to veterans of the various benefits that they may be entitled to receive.

It has several links that cover both state and federal benefits. The site is WWW.MVSAA.ORG

## 'Ponding Program' Slated For July 15th At Robinson State Park

The Department of Environmental Management invites you to Robinson State Park on July 15th for a ponding program. The program will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the pavilion.

In this program, we will be exploring what creatures live in streams and ponds. Please bring bug spray, water shoes, and clothes that can get wet and dirty.

Program is free. Reasonable accommodations available with advanced notice.

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Doreen Prouty  
Acting Chairperson

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## ASGA - from Page 1...

The following is a list of those Agawam Senior Games Athletes who competed in the Massachusetts Senior Games, their sport(s), and the medals they won:

**Rudy Altobelli:** tennis — gold in singles, silver in doubles.

**Peggy Bentley:** 10-pin bowling — bronze in women's singles, bronze in mixed doubles.

**Tom Bentley:** 10-pin bowling — gold in men's singles, bronze in mixed doubles.

**Ernie Bouley:** table tennis — gold in mixed doubles, silver in men's doubles, bronze in men's singles.

**Dian Curran:** 10-pin bowling — gold in women's singles, gold in mixed doubles.

**Joe Curran:** 10-pin bowling — gold in mixed doubles, gold in men's doubles.

**Lois Cutler:** shuffleboard — gold in women's singles, gold in mixed doubles.

**Ted Cutler:** shuffleboard — gold in men's singles, gold in mixed doubles; racquetball — bronze.

**Hal Deyo:** shuffleboard — bronze in men's singles, silver in mixed doubles; 10-pin bowling — bronze in mixed doubles.

**Dick Donovan:** candlepin bowling — gold in men's singles.

**Lou Donovan:** discus — bronze. (Lou had a bad shoulder, but she tried the discus anyway, coming in fourth overall.)

**Lucille Drownowski:** golf — gold in 36 holes.

**Edna Duca:** shuffleboard — silver in women's singles, silver in women's doubles; candlepin bowling — gold in mixed doubles, gold in women's doubles, silver in women's singles.

**Harry Ingram:** swimming — gold in 50-meter freestyle, gold in 50-meter backstroke, gold in 50-meter breaststroke, gold in 100-meter breaststroke, gold in 200-meter intermediate medley, silver in 100-meter freestyle.

**Desiree Jacobs:** shuffleboard — silver in women's doubles, silver in mixed doubles; 10-pin bowling — bronze in mixed doubles.

**Mary Knowles:** 10-pin bowling — silver in mixed doubles.

**Ollie Muldrew:** candlepin bowling — gold in men's singles, gold in men's doubles.

**Dick Osgood:** racing — gold in 1,500-meter race, bronze in quarter-mile.

**Carolyn Leary:** golf — gold in 36 holes (also won "closest to the pin").

**Paulene Paquette:** billiards — bronze; lawn bowling — gold in singles.

**Lena Peloquin:** shot put — gold; javelin — silver; discus — silver; shuffleboard — bronze in women's singles.

**Eleanore Piccin:** shuffleboard — bronze in women's singles; javelin — bronze; long jump — bronze.

**Angelo Polumbo:** 10-pin bowling — gold in men's singles.

**Vi Presz:** shot put — bronze; javelin — gold; discus — gold.

**Janice Schermerhorn:** shuffleboard — gold in women's singles, silver in women's doubles.

**Jane Schmidt:** billiards — gold; lawn bowling — silver in singles.

**John Wylie:** candlepin bowling — silver in men's singles, gold in mixed doubles, gold in men's doubles; 10-pin bowling — silver in mixed doubles.

**Marian Wylie:** candlepin bowling — bronze in women's singles, gold in mixed doubles.

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# Strengthening The Sex Offender Law In MA

Senate Majority Leader Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has voted in support of legislation that will strengthen the Commonwealth's sex offender registry law, establish civil commitment for sex offenders, and create lifetime community parole supervision for sex offenders.

"The crimes we seek to address and prevent are among the most heinous facing today's children and families," said Senator Melconian. "With this legislation, we are acting responsibly and swiftly to give the state stronger weapons in the war on sexual predators."

"The predatory acts of violence perpetrated by sex offenders challenge our society's ability to protect its innocents, which is one measure of our government," said Senate President Birmingham. "We are mindful of that and hope, with this bill and others, to further the state's commitment to the right of public safety."

There are three main components of the legislation, which enjoyed unanimous support in the Senate. An important aspect of the bill is the revision of the administration of the sex offender registry: to expand the number of crimes it includes; to classify sexually violent predators separately; and to strengthen the registration requirements for sex offenders, among other enhancements.

"When we first established the sex offender registry, we knew it was a good idea," said Senator Melconian. "This legislation makes it an even better idea by incorporating the lessons we have learned during its early years here and in other states, in court rooms, and in administrative settings. She is particularly pleased that the bill insists upon extensive public access to sex offender registry information."

The ability to make a civil commitment, which would allow for commitment to a secure facility of those deemed sexually dangerous, is an important provision of this legislation. "Now the attorney general and district attorneys have a new means of protecting the public from individuals who are deemed sexually dangerous but might otherwise be released to inflict irreparable harm," said Senator Melconian.

The legislation, she reports, provides for a sentence of lifetime community parole supervision for serious sex offenders. "A crucial component of public safety involves oversight of individuals after their release from incarceration, and sex offenders have too often avoided it," said Senator Melconian, "but that must stop."

"This legislation is a meaningful approach to the problems posed by sex offenders to families, prosecutors, and parole officers. We surveyed the problems and intend for this overarching legislation to help everyone who want to protect against sex offenders," she concluded.

The House legislation pertaining to sex offenders differs from the Senate version, and a conference committee will reconcile the two.

A petition to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. section 1.03. Receipt by the Department — not postmarked or mailing — constitutes filing and determination whether a petition has been timely filed. A late-filed petition may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown under 220 C.M.R. section 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 200 C.M.R. section 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A section 10.

The Petitioner, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, is ordered to give notice of said hearing by publication twice thereof — once at least fourteen (14) days, and once at least seven (7) days — prior to the date of such hearing in the SPRINGFIELD UNION NEWS (Springfield), the BOSTON GLOBE and the WORCESTER GAZETTE and to post such notice in a conspicuous place in the Agawam Municipal Building for a period of not less than fourteen (14) days before, and continuing through, the date of such hearing. In addition, the Petitioner is ordered to serve a copy of this notice by certified mail at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of such hearing on: the Mayor, Clerk of the Agawam City Council, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Clerk of Agawam, all persons owning land directly opposite to any public street or way, and abutters to the about-ten (7) days before, and continuing through, the date of publication at the time of the hearing.

By Order of the Department,  
Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company is further ordered to deposit copies of its petition and supporting documents, and response to any Department information requests, for public inspection at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, Massachusetts 01001, no later than seven (7) days before, and continuing through, the date of the hearing, and to make return of service and proof of publication at the time of the hearing.

By Order of the Department,  
Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

\* Please note that the Department of Telecommunications and Energy's offices will be relocating to 1 South Station, Boston, MA at the beginning of July. Please telephone the Department to determine our specific location, before mailing correspondence or visiting the Department.

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Any person who desires to participate in any subsequent proceeding concerning this investigation must file an original and three (3) copies of a written petition for leave to intervene or to participate in the proceeding no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) July 28, 1999 with: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at the address

Any person who wishes to submit written comments may do so by filing an original and three (3) copies of such comments with: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, 100 Cambridge Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02202, no later than the close of business July 21, 1999.

Copies of the petition are on file at the Department's office located at 12th floor, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts. Copies are also on file for public view at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, Massachusetts 01001.

The Department will conduct a public hearing on this petition at the AGAWAM MIDDLE SCHOOL, 68 MAIN STREET, AGAWAM, MASSACHUSETTS AT 7:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 1999 to receive public comment and allow Tennessee to respond to questions about Tennessee's proposed addition.

The Petitioner, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, requests approval from the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") for an exemption from the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Agawam, Massachusetts, in order to upgrade its compressor station and other natural gas pipeline facilities on its property at its existing district office and compressor station on Suffolk Street, (State Road, No. 75), Agawam, Massachusetts. Tennessee proposes to install an additional compressor and to put a ten foot addition on the west side of the existing control building "D" on the property.

Petition of Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40A, section 3, for exemption in particular respects from the Zoning By-laws of the Town of Agawam.

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After Touring Moylan Lane Site...

## Health Board Chairman Impressed With Berkshire Power Project

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

The chairman of the agency charged with overseeing environmental issues once the power plant under construction on Moylan Lane becomes operational came away from a Town Council-sponsored tour of the site favorably impressed by the project overall.

F. William Euliano said he joined the councilors touring the plant because the Board of Health will have jurisdiction over environmental issues and emissions controls when the plant goes on line in the fall. Touring the plant along with Council President Donald M. Rheault were Councilors Nancy Thompson, Jill Simpson, Edward Caba, John Negrucci, Gina Letellier, and former councilor Louis Russo.

"The plant will have to meet state and federal environmental guidelines and all the records will be made available to us," Euliano said. "From all the documentation I have seen, I think the oil storage tank is safe and I believe this is a very admirable project."

Berkshire Power Plant Manager Frank Basile led the town officials on a tour of the project, giving explanations of the plant's facilities and answering the councilors' questions, most of which centered on the controversial oil storage tank awaiting completion. Also of concern: the color of the smokestack.

Peering in through an open door, several councilors satisfied themselves that it was very dark and very empty inside the 500,000-gallon tank.

Standing next to the oil tanker unloading area still under construction, Basile said the concrete pad would hold two tankers at a time, but only one truck would be unloading fuel. The second truck would be waiting to make its delivery as soon as the first truck was emptied and drove off on a roadway loop around the property back to the entrance gate.

Also awaiting completion is a 12-foot high, 12-inch thick concrete wall that will create a containment area around the oil tank capable of holding 110 percent of the tank's capacity. In the unlikely event of a leak, there is a valve-sealed collection area equipped with an oil/water separator and a sealed-off detention pond also equipped with an oil/water separator to prevent oil from seeping into the groundwater.

"The system is triple redundant," Basile said. "It is close to impossible for any leakage whatever, but our staff is trained to deal with a catastrophic failure and we would hire a HAZMAT contractor. This is the way to handle number two fuel oil."

Last October, the council voted 8-3 to deny Berkshire Power's request for a license to store 500,000 gallons of fuel oil on the site for use as a backup fuel source (in the event that the flow of natural gas to the plant is interrupted). Berkshire Power is petitioning for an override of that decision at the state Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB). Town Council tried to have the case dismissed because the application for a building permit falsely indicated that the proper state permits had been granted and offered testimony defending their decision to deny the oil storage license at the EFSB hearing in April.

### A New Twist...

The controversy over the oil storage facility took a new twist last spring when it was discovered

that representatives of Berkshire Power failed to obtain the necessary permit from the state fire marshal to build the tank. Company officials said they had mistakenly believed the necessary state permit had been granted when filling out the local building permit application.

Subsequently, Fire Marshall Stephen D. Coan ordered Berkshire Power to refrain from filling the tank with any fluid pending further investigation or action by his office, and Building Inspector Dominic Urbinati issued a stop work order on the completion of the tank.

Basile said he hoped to have a decision from the EFSB next month on Berkshire's petition for an override of Town Council's denial of the oil storage permit and that the fire marshal is reviewing the construction of the tank.

While the EFSB decision on the oil storage tank is not crucial to the plant's operation, another decision pending before the agency is critical for the plant to operate.

Currently, Berkshire Power is tied into the power transmission grid by way of a temporary connection to Western Massachusetts Electric Company power lines. The power producers are waiting for the EFSB to rule on WMECO's bid for an override of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) denial of a special permit to build a transmission switching station at the site.

"The temporary connection is capable of backfeeding power into the plant to operate equipment and for testing our systems and it will allow us to generate 150 megawatts on a temporary basis," Basile said. "Our full capacity is 272 megawatts and we need that switching station to operate at full capacity."

WMECO has been seeking ZBA permission to construct the substation on land owned by Berkshire Power that is part of the buffer zone between the power plant and its closest neighbors (created with the approval of state and local boards during the permitting review of the site plan proposed by Berkshire Power in 1995).

But, ZBA members said it cannot grant a special permit to WMECO until Berkshire Power gets permission from the local and state permitting agencies to change the layout of the site as previously approved. And ZBA members said they were concerned over the visual impacts to the neighborhood of constructing the sub-station on the site preferred by WMECO when the company has identified five alternative sites on the property that would be less visible.

Originally slated to become operational over Labor Day Weekend, the plant is now expected to go on-line just before Christmas, but still within the four-month window of opportunity for the plant to reach the "substantial completion" date required by Berkshire's financing, Basile said.

Still to be decided—the color of the 125-foot smokestack. The issue is being studied by an environmental consulting firm to come up with the best possible color to make the stack blend in with the background sky. Blue has been ruled out and the most likely color is a shade of gray, Basile said.

"It is of great concern to me that we paint it the right color," Basile said. "The stack height is as low as it can go and it's as unobtrusive as possible."

## Fire Wise...

by Fire Chief David Pisano

### Careless Smoking Can Lead To Costly & Deadly Home Fires

One of the most common causes of deaths in home fires is careless smoking. It has been estimated that 35 percent of all home fire deaths (about 1,500 a year) and 17 percent of all home fire injuries are caused by cigarette fires.

Over \$300 million in property is lost in these fires. The Agawam Fire Department recommends that the following special precautions be taken to avoid a cigarette fire:

- Provide large, deep ashtrays for smokers.
- Do not place ashtrays on the arms of furniture.

• Most cigarette fires involve dropping a hot cigarette on beds or upholstered furniture or clothing. A lit cigarette can smolder for 20 to 30 minutes before igniting anything. Check furniture before going to bed. Never smoke in bed or while reclining in upholstered furniture.

• Make sure ashes are completely cold before emptying them. Try wetting ashtray contents before throwing them in the trash.

• Install extra smoke detectors in smokers' bedrooms and other areas they spend time in.

• The combination of smoking and drinking alcohol can be fatal. Keep on eye on those individuals in that condition.

For additional information, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Auditorium, 68 Main St., Agawam, MA on THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1999 at: 6:30 P.M., for all parties interested in the appeal of LORI DONUTS, INC., C/O JOHN SALEMA who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-44, Paragraph H of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the construction of a "Drive-thru" Restaurant with the required parking spaces at the premises identified as: 160 SILVER STREET.

Doreen Prouty,  
Acting Chairperson

Published: July 8, 1999

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Our deadline is each Tuesday at 12:00 noon; however, we appreciate any articles, press releases, etc., that can be brought in on Mondays. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter ... AAN!!!

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ON THURSDAY, JUNE 24TH, the Agawam Junior Women's Club presented a check for \$21,500 to Fire Chief David Pisano on behalf of the club's fundraiser to enable the Fire Department to purchase a thermal imaging unit. IN PHOTO BELOW (from left to right): Chief Pisano with Junior Women's Club members Stephanie Bertagnolli, Betty Vershon, Ann Woodard, Wilma Gillan (who spearheaded the fundraiser), Cindy Sanford-Taylor (club president), Liz Taylor, Laura Paul, and Mary O'Connell. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



For Purchase Of Thermal Imaging Unit...

## Junior Women's Club Presents Check For \$21,500 To Fire Dept.

by Kathy Shepard  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Last month, the Agawam Junior Women's Club presented a check for \$21,500 to Fire Chief David Pisano. Wilma Gillan of the Agawam Junior Women's Club spearheaded the drive to raise the funds, which were earmarked for a thermal imaging unit. The check was presented at the Agawam Fire Headquarters on Main Street. Some 35 or 40 people were present.

According to Deputy Chief Steven Martin, "We are overwhelmed at the outpouring of generosity, which came from hundreds of sources. There is no way to limit the value of this device. It could potentially save any number of lives."

Mrs. Gillan commented, "We are very glad that this goal has been met. The Agawam Junior Women's Club wanted a main project for the year, and in talking with Fire Chief Pisano, we learned that the Fire Department had been researching the imaging helmets or the hand-held imaging units. We called the project 'The Helmet Fund.' Later in the project, the Chief opted to aim for a hand-held unit because they are more portable and can be transferred from one person to another."

Mrs. Gillan presented the large check to Mark LaValley, the representative for the Bullard Company, which manufactures the thermal imaging units. People were welcomed to the event to view the equipment and to commend the Agawam Junior Women's Club for their efforts.

Besides Mrs. Gillan, those present were Cindy Sanford-Taylor, president of the Agawam Junior Women's Club; Fire Chief Pisano; Deputy Chief Martin; and Karl Schmaelzle, president of Local 1973 of the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts.

The drive to raise the funds for the thermal imaging unit took less than one year. There were donations that went to the Fire Department, and also donations and other monies raised through enjoyable events sponsored by the Agawam

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## — Agawam Obituaries —

### John J. McCarthy

John J. McCarthy, 87, of North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, died recently in a local nursing home.

As the director of the Western Hampden District Veterans' Services, he served the towns of Agawam, Southwick, Granville, and Tolland from 1972 to 1982. Previously, he was the owner of Score Sheet Advertising Services in Feeding Hills.

Born in Brookline, he moved to Feeding Hills in 1951.

He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills, where he had been a member of the church council.

During World War II, he served in the Pacific with the Navy Sea Bees from 1943 to 1945.

He served on the State Executive Committee of the Disabled American Veterans, was president of the Massachusetts Veterans Association, was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans, a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 872 in Southwick, and was chairman of the National Foundation of the March of Dimes in Feeding Hills.

His avocation was farming, with a specialty in strawberries.

He leaves his wife of 56 years, the former M. Helen O'Leary; three sons, Dennis J. of Burlington, Vermont, Thomas J. of Conway, and John F. of Feeding Hills; two daughters, Susan M. Crawford of New York City and Mary H. McCarthy-Keefe of Brattleboro, Vermont; four sisters, Sister Mary Magdalen of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Brighton, Ita P. McCarthy and Katharine E. Sullivan of West Hyannis Port, and Josephine Greska of Oceanside, California; six grandchildren; and eight step-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Agawam Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Hindsdale.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Open Pantry of West Springfield, 1023 Main Street, West Springfield, MA 01089.

### Janice Kennedy

Janice (Lorette) Kennedy, 61, of Agawam, died recently at Holyoke Hospital.

She was a Realtor for many years, having worked for Landry, Lyons & Whyte, Park Square, and Stearns & Yerrall Realtors.

Born in Holyoke, she graduated from Holyoke High School in 1955 and lived in West Springfield for 30 years before moving to Agawam a year ago.

She was a member of the Greater Springfield Board of Realtors.

She leaves her husband, James J.; a son, David of Westfield; two daughters, Lisa A. Kennedy at home and Sheila K. Bennett of Westfield; a sister, Geraldine Dzwilewski of Niantic, Connecticut; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Colonial-Forastiere Funeral Home of Agawam and Bethany Assembly of God Church, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 1 Harvard Street, Brookline, MA 02146-9795.

### Edith H. Slattery

Edith Hope (Clark) Slattery, 84, died recently at her son's home on Pineview Circle, Agawam.

She was a clerk in the medical records department of Baystate Medical Center for 23 years and retired in 1980. She also worked at the Springfield Armory during World War II.

Born and schooled in Springfield, she was a lifelong resident of that city and a graduate of Commerce High School.

Her husband, William J. Slattery, died in 1956.

She leaves two sons, Michael T. of Springfield and William J. of Agawam; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The funeral was held at Colonial-Forastiere Funeral Home and in Sacred Heart Church, with burial in St. Aloysius Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Open Pantry Community Services, P.O. Box 5127, Springfield, MA 01101-5127.

### Gertrude M. Reece

Gertrude M. Reece, 96, formerly of Agawam, died recently in an East Longmeadow nursing home.

She was a registered nurse at Providence Hospital for many years.

Born in South Hadley, she lived in Holyoke for many years.

She was president of the Catholic Nurses Association.

She leaves a sister, Beatrice Driscoll of Agawam.

The funeral was held at Messier Funeral Home in Holyoke and St. John the Evangelist Church, with burial in St. Rose Cemetery, South Hadley.

Memorial contributions may be made to any charity.

### Rev. Camillo L. Santini

The Rev. Camillo L. Santini, 85, of 554 Lexington Street, Waltham, a former pastor in Western Massachusetts, died recently at Waltham Deaconess Hospital.

Born in Vittorio Veneto, Italy, he was schooled in Monson and graduated from the Stigmatine Minor Seminary in Waltham and the Stigmatine Major Seminary in Wellesley.

He joined the Stigmatine Order in 1932 and was ordained at Sacred Heart Church in Newton in 1942. He was an associate pastor at Sacred Heart Church in Milford in 1942-44 and at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Pittsfield in 1944-45 and 1947-48. He was the chaplain at the Linton Hall Military Academy in Bristow, Virginia, in 1945-47 and the rector of All Souls Church in Pittsfield in 1948-50.

He was the pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, in 1950-52, Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Pittsfield in 1952-67, Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Springfield in 1969-81, and Sacred Heart of Jesus in Feeding Hills in 1985-87. He was associate pastor at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Milford in 1981-84 and at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Springfield in 1987-95.

He retired to the Stigmatine Retirement Community at St. Joseph's Hall in Waltham in 1995.

While in the Springfield Diocese, he served in the Priests Senate from 1974 to 1980 and on the Ecumenical Commission in 1976-80. He was chaplain of the Springfield Sierra Club and the Springfield Chapter of UNICO.

He leaves a sister, Louisa Morris of Monson.

The funeral was held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Springfield, with burial in the Stigmatine community plot in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Milford. Tazzini Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stigmatine Fathers, 554 Lexington Avenue, Waltham, MA 02154.

### Normand H. Heroux

Normand H. Heroux, 78, of Feeding Hills, died recently at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

He was a federal inspector at the Springfield Armory for 27 years and retired in 1976. He also worked for the Army Weapons Command in Illinois for 11 years.

Born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, he lived in Chicopee for many years and in Bettendorf, Iowa, for 11 years before moving to Feeding Hills many years ago.

He was an Army Air Forces veteran of World War II, a communicant of St. Theresa Infant Jesus Church in Agawam, and a member of the Nocturnal Adoration Society at area Roman Catholic churches.

He leaves his wife of 51 years, the former Rita Parenteau; a daughter, Joyce Carrier of Windsor Locks; two sisters, Lillian Sullivan of Warwick, Rhode Island, and Lorraine Glover of Davenport, Iowa; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Grise Funeral Home and the church, with burial in St. Rose de Lima Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of Western New England, 50 Maple Street, P.O. Box 9058, Springfield, MA 01102-9058.

### Donald K. Quick, Jr.

Donald K. Quick, Jr., 23, of 84 Line Street, Feeding Hills, died recently at home.

He was a construction supervisor and installer for Bartels Pools of Springfield for eight years.

Born in Holyoke, he grew up in Springfield and lived in Feeding Hills for nine years.

He leaves his mother, Donna (Alouise) Quick of Feeding Hills; a brother, Thomas J. of Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and two sisters, Robin Quick of Feeding Hills and Andrea Hogan of Springfield.

The funeral was held at West Springfield Curran-Jones Funeral Home and St. Ann's Church, with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery, all in West Springfield.

### Doris R. Keeley

Doris R. (Losito) Keeley, 72, of Suffield Street, Agawam, died recently in a local nursing home.

She was a bookkeeper for Keeley Plating of West Springfield and Agawam.

Born in Springfield, she was schooled in Agawam. She lived in Agawam most of her life and was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church.

Her husband, Bernard F. Keeley, died in 1977.

She leaves four sons, Bernard F. Jr. of Southwick, Kevin T. and Brian S. of Feeding Hills, and Michael M. of Agawam; six brothers, John, Joseph, Michael, and Felix of Feeding Hills, Nino

of Florida, and Patrick of Agawam; two sisters, Rose Montebello of Agawam and Mary R. Cicotte of Feeding Hills; and 10 grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home and the church, with burial in Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 53 Capital Drive, West Springfield, MA 01089.



**MARK LAVALLEY** (far left), representing the Bullard Company (which manufactures the thermal imaging units), with **Wilma Gillan** (fundraiser chairperson), **Cindy Sanford-Taylor** (Agawam Junior Women's Club president), and **Agawam Fire Chief David Pisano**.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Junior Women's Club. Each group exchanged totals periodically.

Some of the events that helped to benefit this lifesaving goal were "letters sent to local businesses by the Agawam Junior Women's Club and a scarecrow project through Fini's Plant Farm in Feeding Hills, where we donated old clothes and bales of hay and customers could make their own scarecrow. The money went to the 'Helmet Fund.' And we had a pancake breakfast at the High School, where kids could get their picture taken with Santa," Mrs. Gillan reported. She plans to publicly thank every person and organization which helped to attain this goal.

For a better understanding of the versatility of this unit, the Fire Department has a film in the training division that can be made available to the public. "The Fire Department welcomes people to call or come and view the varied equipment," Martin said.

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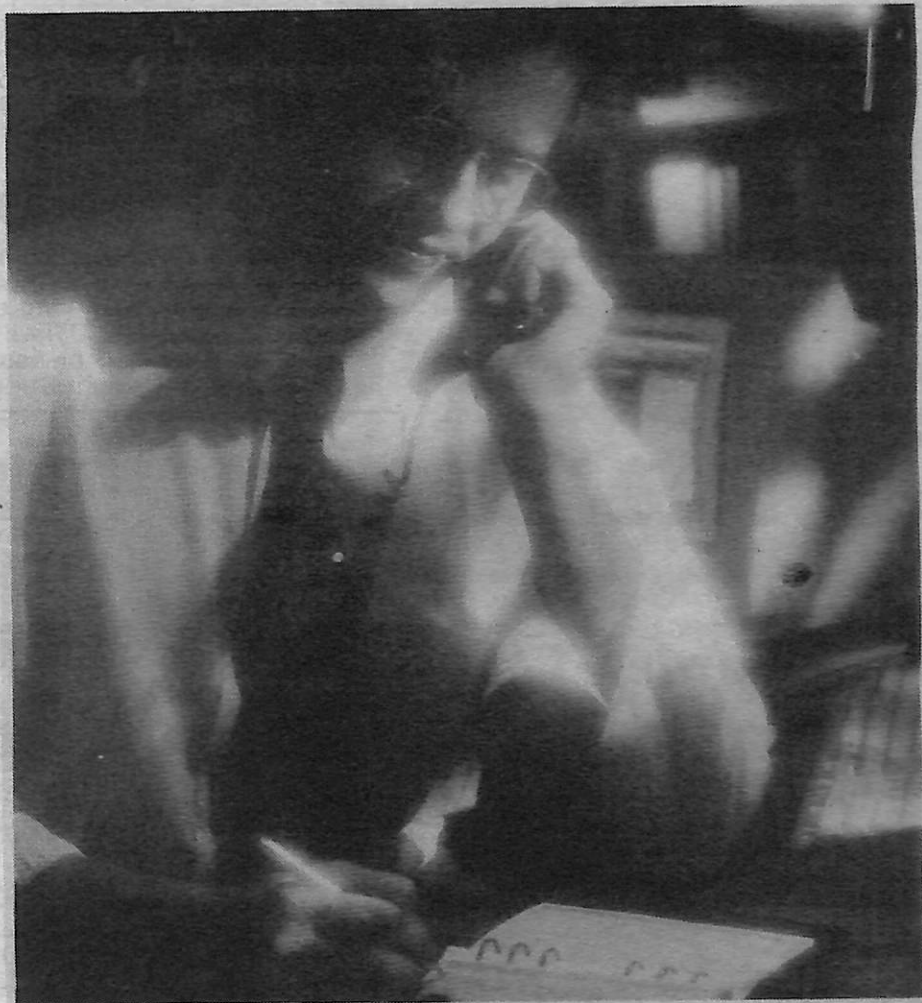
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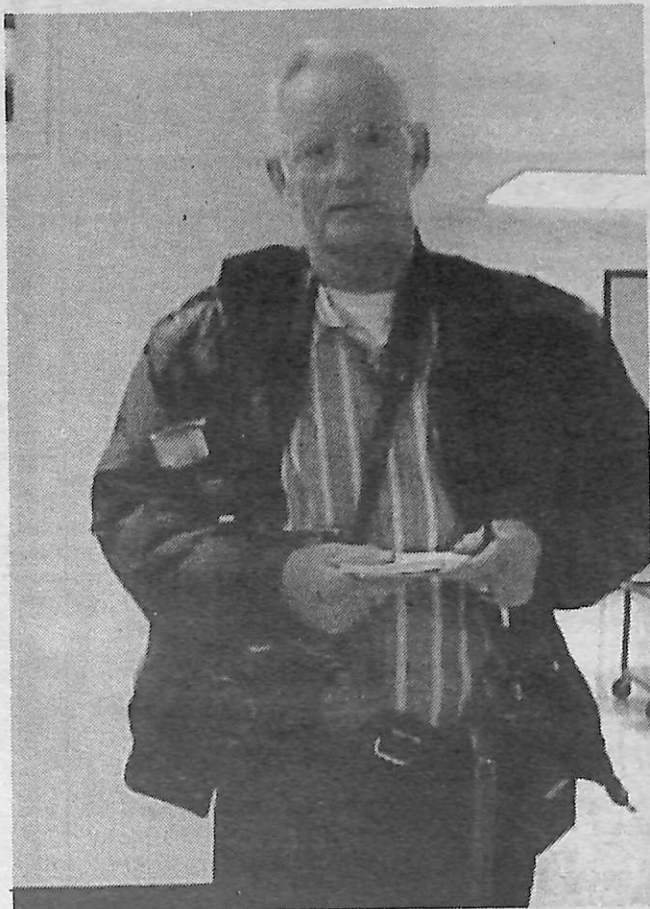
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Please join us in saying farewell — never good-bye — to *Agawam Advertiser News* photographer Jack Devine, "the reason you turn our pages."

A retirement party for Jack will be held at Chez Josef on Sunday, September 12th, from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$35 per person and will include four dinner choices, dancing, and more tributes than one man has any right to ... unless that man is Jack Devine!

The social hour begins at 4:00 p.m., and dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m.

Tickets will go on sale on July 12th at the Agawam Federal Credit Union, 4 Washington Avenue Extension, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DJ Tom Melbourne will provide the entertainment.

Anyone wishing to say a few words of farewell to a "town treasure" is asked to contact Kathy Cassanelli at 789-1255.

### Agawam Garden Club To Host "Cooking With Herbs" Program

So you enjoy the pleasant aromas you get from cooking with herbs. Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m.**, because the Agawam Garden Club topic for the evening is "Cooking With Herbs."

Our guest speaker, Mary Dupuis, will share some of her trade secrets and interesting recipes for cooking with herbs. Find out what the herb of the year is (hint: it's Mary's and Melanie Blackak's favorite). Mary, of West Springfield, has been gardening for over 25 years.

Some of this time was spent raising and selling herbs commercially. Her own recipes and cultivation tips for herbs were featured in the "Herb Lady Cookbook," which was published by the Massachusetts National Audubon Gift Shop. Mary has conducted numerous workshops at Laughing Brook and for several years, she has been giving seminars to garden clubs, schools groups, Grange members, church groups, and extensions.

The meeting location is the Captain Charles Leonard House at 663 Main Street in Agawam. Remember, guests are always welcome, so bring your friend.

Guest fee is \$1 and refreshments will be served following the program.



AT A RECENTLY-HELD LUNCHEON AT The Pond House on Main Street, Agawam, the Agawam Chapter of AARP (Chapter 4915) installed its latest officers and directors. From left to right: Oliver Muldrew, President/Treasurer; Barbara Gagnon, Board of Directors; Mary Mikszewski, Vice-President; and Mildred Swain, Board of Directors. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### Agawam Chapter Of AARP Installs Officers And Directors During Luncheon

The Agawam Chapter of AARP (Chapter 4915) recently held its installation of newly-elected officers and directors at a luncheon at The Pond House on Main Street.

The reelected officers were Oliver Muldrew, President and Treasurer, and Mary Mikszewski, Vice-President. Elected to the Board of Directors were Mildred Swain and Barbara Gagnon.

After a delicious lunch, the installation

ceremony was conducted by Program Director Sandra Smith.

This meeting concluded the winter and spring activities. After a July and August vacation, meetings will resume on September 28th.

Prospective members and guests are welcome at any meeting. The Chapter meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. at the Agawam Senior Center.

### Dan Kane Trio To Perform At Senior Center

Beginning on Friday, July 9th, from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m., and every Friday thereafter, The Dan Kane Trio (direct from a year-long engagement at The Harley Hotel in Enfield, CT) will be playing for your dancing and listening pleasure at the Agawam Senior Center, off Wright Street.

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## No July/August Mtgs. For Alliance Support Group

The Alliance Support Group, which gathers at the Agawam Senior Center, will not meet in July or August.

The group will resume its fall schedule and meet on September 27th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

— ADVERTISER NEWS —

## Shannon Bielitz Engaged To Wed Christopher Johnson

Dennis and Doris Bielitz of Agawam are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon, to Christopher Johnson, son of Linda Johnson of West Hartford, CT, and John Johnson of Middletown, CT.

Shannon is a 1991 graduate of Agawam High School and received a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1995. She is employed at Becton Dickinson in Franklin Lakes, New Jersey, as a Senior Engineer.

Chris is a 1991 graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and is currently pursuing a master's in Business Administration at Rutgers University. He works as a Product Line Manager, also at Becton Dickinson.

An October 2, 1999 wedding is planned.

## Commerce's Class Of '49 To Hold 50th Reunion This October

The High School of Commerce Class of 1949 is seeking former classmates interested in attending the 50th class reunion on October 9, 1999 at Storowton Carriage House in West Springfield.

Please send your name and address and names of any other classmates you are still in contact with to Elsie Ceravolo Cady, 281 Lexington Street, Springfield, MA 01104, (413) 732-8424 or Marjorie Masucci DeDeurwaerder, 31 Overlea Drive, Springfield, MA 01119, (413) 782-2588.

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HEATHER NICOLE QUINK

## The Quink Family Announces Birth Of Daughter, Heather

Greg and Kathy Quink of Bethel, Connecticut, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Heather Nicole ("Punkins") Quink.

She was born on April 7, 1999 and weighed in at seven pounds, eight ounces. She was 19 inches long.

The proud grandparents are Bob and RoseAnn Quink of Feeding Hills, and Mike and Margie McIntyre of Bethel. Heather's great-grandmothers are Vicki DiVirgilio of Agawam and Julia Quink of Ware.

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After Writing A Play About WW II...

## Middle Schoolers Perform With Senior Chorus

by Kathy Shepard  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

"Letters From The Front" defies description and deserves much recognition as "an archive within an archive," a cameo of the better side of the human soul. Entertainment doesn't get any better and neither does education.

Through a cooperative effort between Agawam Middle School teachers Lou Spiro and Jeanne Forgette, and Kim George (Director of Volunteer Services and the Eden Alternative Educator at Genesis ElderCare), fifth- and sixth-grade students wrote a play about World War II and presented it at the Agawam Middle School as part of a project known as Living History. It has also been referred to as Link-Ages.

The evening performance was held chiefly for parents, teachers, and the students' mentors — the residents of Heritage Hall Nursing Homes in Agawam. Some of the elderly singers were on stage, contributing harmonies to the singing, and many hummed or joined in from the audience. Spiro played guitar along with the Agawam Senior Center Band, performing the play's music under the direction of former AHS Music Director Darcy Davis. The Melody Orchestra was made up of Evelyn O'Melia, piano; Robert Donaldson, guitar; James Gregor, drums; Darcy Davis, trumpet; George David, alto sax; James White, keyboard; and Paul Brusseau, violin.

The play, written entirely by the students with input from their mentors, opened in "the present," with the song "Grandpa, Tell Me About The Good Old Days." It was sung by Alex Watt, Joshua Matt, Thara Sekkal, Lindsay Pafumi, and Sophie Gould for the sake of two elders representing "Rose" and "Robert," who later emerge in the play as their "younger selves." The elderly versions of "Robert" and "Rose" are played by Leroy Brouillette and Jilda Camisa.

The two elder versions of Robert and Rose presumably think back in time, wondering just how "good" the "good old days" actually were. The song "I Got A Gal In Kalamazoo" (from 1940) introduces our younger Robert and Rose, now played by Samuel Mancini and Jessica Morris. "The Modernaires," played by Nathan Rheault, Thara Sekkal, Kevin Roberts, Sabrina Seigler, and Devin Ryan, provide the music for dozens of dancers, all of them doing dances of the era, such as swing, bop, jive, jitterbug, and shag.

### "Characters" Write Letters To Each Other...

Through the next hour of the play, Robert and Rose (now separated by the war) write letters to each other, referring to a wealth of authentic happenings, such as rationing of coffee, sugar, and shoes, saving grease for rifles, the new G.I. Joe toy, air raids, the new movie "Bambi," wooden tires, Red Cross packages for the soldiers, Victory Gardens, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, and other overseas performers.

Social changes are chronicled, such as women doing jobs like welding and riveting, which men



FIFTH- AND SIXTH-GRADE STUDENTS demonstrate their singing talents during the production "Letters From The Front."

had done before the war. The importance of such landmarks as the Springfield Armory was brought to the fore, and a real battle was simulated with drums and sound effects, representing the invasion at Normandy, France, where 16,000 men went ashore. The songs "White Cliffs Of Dover" and "St. Louis Blues March" assisted in creating an appropriate tone.

There were reminders of other events and changes, such as the Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus, the huge fire in Hartford, and the movie "Fantasia," with superb music and exceptional animation. Mention of the "new candy, M&M's," the "new drug, penicillin," chocolate truffles, dimming of lights, and President Roosevelt's death, successfully painted a realistic picture of the times. The play's historical accuracy competed with its nostalgia, and dry eyes were hard to find.

The Living History project could not possibly have been more of a success. The mood was captured, the sense of what people went through to fight World War II, how it was not only the soldiers but the citizens, each keeping in touch with each other, trying to help each other's cause, and stay aware of changes and news. The people of the country were bound by a common cause.

The Living History project succeeded at a different level as well. The young students were receptive to these elder resources and learned facts about America's history, about the war itself, and about people, particularly what the American people were able to become, give, give up, and accomplish.

### Representing Ages That Span Nearly A Century

From the standpoint of The Eden Alternative, a philosophy that seeks to eliminate loneliness, helplessness, and boredom in nursing centers by creating habitats with a homelike atmosphere by introducing children, plants and animals, music, and other hallmarks of a home, Ms. George was thrilled with the play. The nursing home residents, the Senior Center Band, the Melody Orchestra, and the people in the audience represented ages that

spanned nearly a century, and everyone was touched inside their hearts.

The entire cast performed "Don't Sit Under The Apple Tree," followed by "It Had To Be You" performed by Sophie Gould, "Sentimental Journey" done by Faith King (two outstanding soloists), and "Grandpa, Tell Me About The Good Old Days (reprise), after which this cast and crew received not one but two standing ovations!

The stage crew was made up of students. Sound was done by Heather Moffatt, Cayle Perry, Ryan McNair, Joshua Matt, James Rannenberg, Kevin Roberts, and Kevin Danie. Lights were taken care of by James Valenti, Edward Waller, Kaitlyn Bonneville, Christina Davis, Kari Marceno, and Matt Sabola. The curtain was handled by Brian Costello.

There were thanks on the program to the chaperones to Heritage and several sponsors, including Joseph Pafume, Berkshire Power, P.A.T. Auto Sales, Sarat Ford, Pafumi Auto, and Olympic Fasteners. Special thanks also went to Mrs. Stanton for costumes and Mrs. Rosinski for Room 203's quilt.

During the course of the school year, the Living History project resulted in two quilts (on display in the halls of Agawam Middle School) created by the students and the Heritage residents. There were many other activities and accomplishments, such as the making of Christmas decorations, song-fests, and regular visits.

Spiro said the young people had done extra homework to make up for the hours of rehearsal. The dedication of the students for this endeavor, the support of Principal Ralph Zavarella, teachers Lou Spiro and Jeanne Forgette, and Heritage Director of Volunteers Kim George — and, of course, the generosity of spirit of the Heritage residents — are testimony to the importance and value of special educational projects such as Living History.

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**THE AGAWAM GARDEN CLUB** recently honored those members who've contributed to the club's success for 15 or more years. **IN TOP PHOTO:** Dot Brown, Barbara Gagnon, Elaine Smith, Barbara Farrington, and Judith Clini. **IN PHOTO BELOW:** Helen Lawrenchuk, Zoafia Demko, Muriel Hastings, Mary Gagliarducci, and Alice Moore. Advertiser News

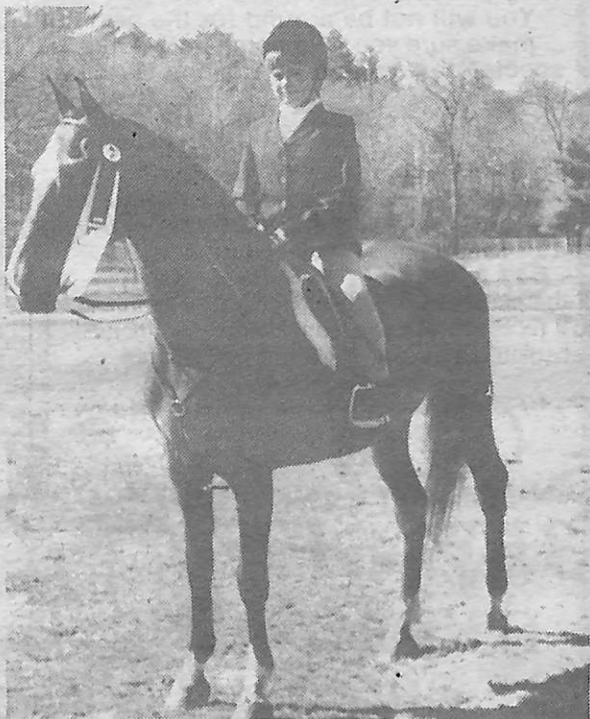
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**Happy  
10th Birthday,  
Julie!**



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## Agawam Garden Club Honors Its Long-Time Members

On Tuesday, June 8th, the Agawam Garden Club hosted a special evening to honor members of the club who have contributed to the success of the club for 15 or more years.

Honored members for 15-25 years were Judith Clini, Barbara Gagnon, Jane Miles, and Elaine Smith.

The over-25-years group was comprised of Dot Brown, Zoafia Demko, Barbara Farrington, Mary Gagliarducci, Muriel Hastings, Helen Lawrenchuk, and Alice Moore.

Alice Moore was honored as being a club member for the longest time and she shared some special memories and photos during the evening (such as her mother being one of the founding members of the Agawam Garden Club, and the revival of Aunt Helen's Herb Garden at Storowton Village).

Other memories of the honored members included the dedication of Alice's Garden at the Captain Charles Leonard House, the early plant sales, and many friendships.

Surprises during the evening included the performance of "Parts for Sale," a barbershop quartet, and a gift for each honored member.

## Ag. Senior Center's Weekly Lunch Menu

**Monday, July 12th:** Vegetable quiche, potato puffs, zucchini, rudi roll, watermelon.

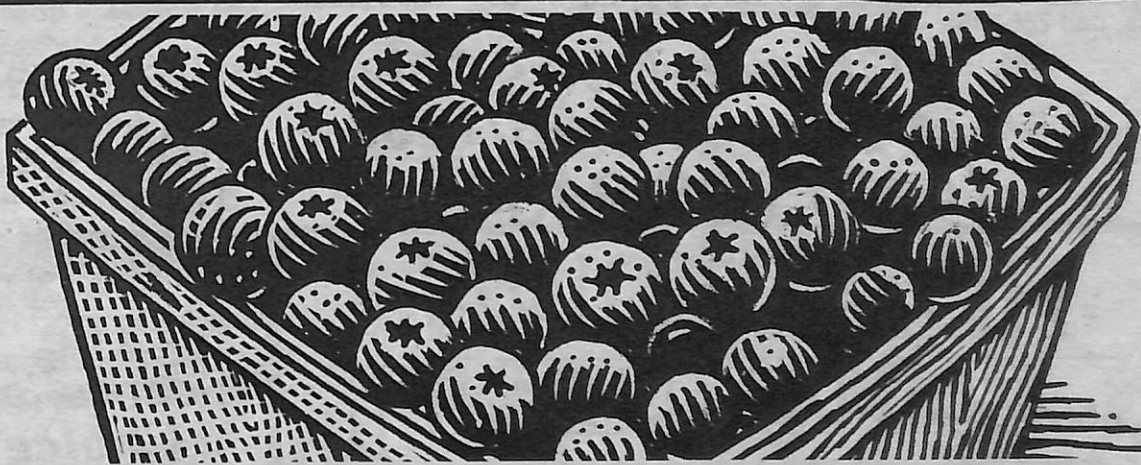
**Tuesday, July 13th:** "Birthday" day—stuffed cabbage, mashed potatoes, corn, whole wheat bread, cake.

**Wednesday, July 14th:** Hot dog on a roll, baked beans, corn on the cob, tapioca pudding.

**Thursday, July 15th:** Cold plate (turkey and macaroni salad with tomatoes and cucumbers), corn muffin, Jello, and fruit.

**Friday, July 16th:** Clam chowder, egg salad on a roll, tomato and cucumber salad, pears.

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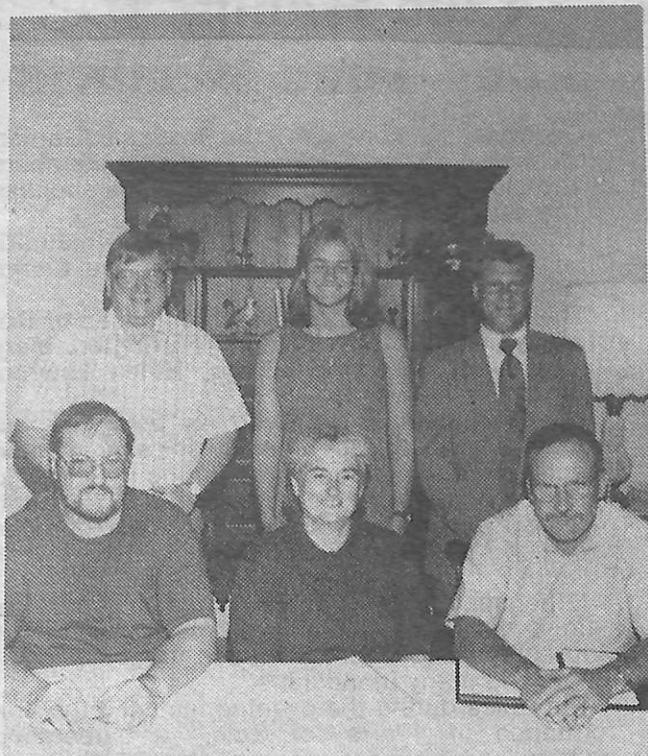
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# Church News



**PREPARING FOR THE** Vacation Bible Camp sponsored by Agawam Congregational Church and the First Baptist Church of Agawam. Standing: Rev. Curt Fuller (Agawam Congregational), Lucy Young, and Dean Brust. Seated: Neal Ellsworth, Suanne Hansen, and Steve Lemire. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Ag. Congregational & 1st Baptist To Host Vacation Bible Camp

From July 26th through July 30th, between the hours of 9:00 and 11:30 a.m., the Agawam Congregational Church and the First Baptist Church of Agawam will hold a Vacation Bible Camp, "The Great Bibleland Dig," for children ages two through the sixth grade.

The camp will be held at the Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam. Cost for the camp is \$7 per child (three or more per family, no additional charge).

Your children will enjoy crafts, music, games, and snack time while learning more about the Bible.

To register your child, call the church office of Agawam Congregational at 786-7111, or you may pick up a form at that church office during office hours (8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.).

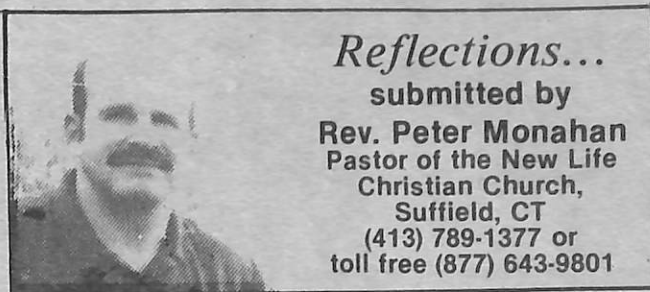
## The Sacrament Of Anointing Slated At St. Anthony's Church

On Sunday, July 11th at 2:00 p.m., St. Anthony of Padua Church, corner of Maple & Bridge Streets in Agawam, will celebrate Mass and the Sacrament of Anointing.

Prayers and anointing with the "Oil of Chrism" will be offered for the healing of mind, body, and spirit.

Rev. William C. Rousseau will be the celebrant. Refreshments will follow the Mass.

If you are in a wheelchair or have any special needs, call 786-4451.



### Reflections...

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### How Do We Respond To God?

"A farmer went out to scatter seed in a field. While the farmer was scattering the seed, some of it fell along the road and was eaten by birds. Other seeds fell on thin, rocky ground and quickly started growing because the soil wasn't very deep.

"But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched and dried up, because they did not have enough roots. Some other seeds fell where thornbushes grew up and choked the plants. But a few seeds did fall on good ground where the plants produced a hundred or sixty or thirty times as much as was scattered. If you have ears, pay attention!"

Sometimes, in order to get a point across, Jesus Christ would speak to people in parables. A parable is a short and simple story, from which a profound lesson might be drawn. Many people have read or heard the Parable of the Sower.

Jesus' disciples were confused by this parable, so they asked Him about it, and Jesus explained His parable to them.

"The seeds that fell along the road are the people who hear the message about the Kingdom, but don't understand it. Then the evil one comes and snatches the message from their hearts. The seeds that fell on the rocky ground are the people who gladly hear the message and accept it right away. But they don't have deep roots, and they don't last very long.

"As soon as life gets hard or the message gets them in trouble, they give up. The seeds that fell among the thornbushes are also people who hear the message. But they start worrying about the needs of this life and are fooled by the desire to get rich. So the message gets choked out, and they never produce anything.

"The seeds that fell on good ground are the people who hear and understand the message. They produce as much as a hundred or sixty or thirty times what was planted."

Jesus' intention was that each of us would ask ourselves where we fit into His parable. When we hear God's invitation, "Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come buy and eat! Why spend your money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Seek the Lord while He may be found; call on Him while He is near," does that mean anything at all to us?

Or are we like the seed that fell along the road? Sadly, there are some people who hear the words of God's love, but do not grasp the message.

Other people might see themselves fitting into Jesus' story as the seed that fell on the rocky ground. God's promises sound good, but they don't sink in. There is nothing in Jesus' story that says it has to keep being that way. God calls out to one and all: "Turn to the Lord, and He will have mercy on you."

God's desire is that each of us would be like the seed that fell on good ground. Jesus warns us not to let troubles or a desire to get rich fool us. Psalm 65 says: "We are filled with the good things of Your house, of Your holy temple."

God wants each of us to be His children, to receive the "Spirit of sonship," to be able to call God "Abba (Daddy), Father."

## St. John's Parish News And Notes

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

#### 1999-2000 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION

If your oldest child will be entering first grade (or will be new to our program) in September, please call 786-8105 and we will send you a registration form; or stop into the Parish Office and pick one up.

Students enrolled last year should have received a form by mail to register for the new year by August 1st.

#### WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

With a community of over 6,000, we should have many who could help with our Religious Education Program. We do not expect "college professors," but an ordinary, committed Christian like you.

We even have a suggestion to help if you would like to help this fall. The Diocesan Office of Religious Education is sponsoring the program "Adolescent Catechesis" (for grades seven through 10) on Thursday evenings through July 29th.

#### ADULT CONFIRMATION

If there are any adults who have not as yet been Confirmed, we will be having the Sacrament here at St. John's in October.

Sessions will be held to prepare candidates during August and September. Call the Rectory at 786-8105 to register.

#### PARISH PICNIC

Plans are progressing nicely for our Parish Picnic on August 29th. We will use our own St. John's Field for this event. Mariann Green is the chairman.

Want to help? Give us a call at 786-8105.

#### MILLENNIUM QUILT

If you missed the application form to obtain a Quilt Square for your family, they are available at the doors of the church.

There seem to be some questions about this project. You will not have to do any sewing; you will be supplied with a square of material on which you will write your family name.

A crew of seamstresses will put it all together. They just need to know how many families are interested so they can plan the details of making the Quilt.

Your family will be missed if you are not involved in this Jubilee Project.

#### SUNDAY TO SUNDAY

We are continuing our Scripture Video program twice weekly: Monday nights at 7:00 p.m., and Friday mornings at 9:10 a.m.

Come join us, it doesn't hurt! There is a brief background for next Sunday's Gospel with some points of Biblical information. Quite good!

#### AGAWAM CATHOLIC SINGLES CLUB

There are no regular meetings during July and August.

July 10th: Springfield Armory Band Concert, 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

July 17th: Calvin Theater, Northampton - "West Side Story."

July 29th: Storowton Village Gazebo - "Vickie Phillips," 7:30 p.m.

#### JUBILEE 2000

Have you signed up yet for one of the many projects we hope to orchestrate for the "Jubilee Year 2000"? Time is slipping by rather quickly.

Each of the clubs and organizations in the parish is encouraged to be involved in at least one such project.

You will not be around for the next millennium ... make sure you take some active role in this very special commemoration of the Birth of the Lord Jesus.

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Church News - continued...

# News & Notes From F.H. Congregational

You are welcome to join with us at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, which is located at 21 N. Westfield Street in Feeding Hills. Our Sunday morning service of worship begins at 9:30 a.m. and this week will include the Service of Holy Communion.

The lectionary readings for the seventh Sunday after Pentecost will be Genesis 25:19-34, Psalm 119:105-112 (or Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:1-8, 9-13); Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23. Connie Haynes will be our Lector.

Children are invited to attend worship with adults and help with the prop preparations for Vacation Bible School. Nursery care will be provided for the very young.

Don't forget! This Sunday, we will have our monthly collection for the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry. Bags of groceries and articles of clean, usable clothing are needed. Please bring your items to the Open Pantry table in the sanctuary.

If you are unable to donate a bag of groceries, envelopes will be available in the sanctuary on the Open Pantry collection table for cash donations.

Volunteers are needed to make desserts for the Open Pantry on Wednesday, July 14th. If you are

able to make a dessert (brownies, sheet cake, cookies, etc.), please have your contribution to the church kitchen by 12:00 noon on Wednesday. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in Griswold Hall.

This year, Vacation Bible School, with a jungle theme, will take place from Monday, August 16th, to Friday, August 20th. Activities are planned to take place from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. each day.

Children attending worship services on Sundays during July and August will help prepare the props. Adults are needed to help run the activities and supply the necessary craft items or snacks.

Please call Lynn Hill at 782-6794 if you have any questions.

During the months of July and August, the church office will be closed on Mondays. It will remain open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00

a.m. until 12:00 noon.

All boards and committees are reminded to let the office know when regularly scheduled meetings are rescheduled. Please leave a note in the office mailbox or use the calendar posted in Griswold Hall.

On the calendar:

**Sunday, July 11th:** 9:30 a.m., Service of Holy Communion/Open Pantry Sunday; Special Meeting following morning worship; 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m., Church of Redemption.

**Monday, July 12th:** 7:00 p.m., Trustees.

**Tuesday, July 13th:** 7:00 p.m., A.A.; 7:00 p.m., Bylaws Committee.

**Wednesday, July 14th:** Desserts needed for Open Pantry; 7:30 p.m., Deacons.

**Thursday, July 15th:** Newsletter deadline; 7:00 p.m., A.A.

## Weekly Calendar From Ag. Congregational

This Sunday, July 11th, is the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost. Join us for the Summer Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam.

Summer Church School continues and will be held immediately following the Children's Message.

Men's Prayer Time is held weekly on Tuesdays at 7:45 a.m. This half-hour includes a devotional reading, prayer, and a time of refreshments and fellowships.

All are welcome to this very special time. For more information, contact Rev. Fuller at 786-7111.

The joint Vacation Bible Camp (Agawam Congregational and Agawam First Baptist Church) is planned for July 26th through July 30th. This year's theme is "The Great Bibleland Dig," and it will be held from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

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To register your child, you may call the church office at 786-7111.

All Church/After Church/Sunday Baseball Bus Trip: Join us on Sunday, August 1st (after church), for a bus trip down to Norwich, CT, to see the Norwich Navigators versus the Portland Sea Dogs.

The four-pack includes four tickets, four hot dogs, four sodas, four bags of chips, and the bus ride. All this for only \$40!

Make your reservations today. Deadline for your prepay tickets is Wednesday, July 28th. Call the church office for more information at 786-7111.

Sign-up today!!! There is limited seating and the seats are going fast.

For more information concerning any of our events, please call the church office at 786-7111.

## Faith Bible Church Hosting Seminar

Faith Bible Church, located at 370 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, is now hosting a 52-week series seminar entitled "The End Times."

Presented by Pastor James R. Jasmin, this series of Tuesday evening teachings will present current prophetic truths based on Scripture.

Discussions will include eschatology, significant current events that point to us on a Biblical timeline, and what the new millennium is going to bring according to Scripture.

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## Spotlight On Business

### Local Shopper Hits Fresh Grocery Jackpot At Super Foodmart

Shopping will be a re-freshing experience for local resident Helen Merklein after recently winning a Shady Brook Farms Fresh Look® grand prize drawing for a year's worth of fresh groceries at Super Foodmart in Agawam.

Ms. Merklein, a retiree and long-time fan of Shady Brook Farms products, was ecstatic with the win, valued at \$6,250 and plans to redeem the prize on her daily shopping trips to Super Foodmart.

"I have never won a sweepstakes competition before, so the prize came as a wonderful surprise," said Ms. Merklein. "Freshness is very important to me, which is why I shop daily, and I look forward to sharing my fresh groceries with my family and local charity, the Open Pantry."

Ms. Merklein is one of 4 grand prize winners to receive fresh groceries at a participating grocery chain, joining other Shady Brook Farms shoppers from New York, New Jersey, and Washington D.C.

The Fresh Look promotion has given away close to \$30,000 in fresh groceries this summer, offering entry coupons at supermarket deli counters and on name-brand packages of Shady Brook Farms turkey tenderloins, sausage, and meatballs. Shoppers also entered via the Shady Brook Farms web site ([www.shadybrookfarms.com](http://www.shadybrookfarms.com)) and an automated, toll-free chef hotline, Dial-A-Chef (1-800-SBF-HINT).

"The Fresh Look promotion is a great incentive for our customers to buy high-quality Shady Brook Farms turkey products and have the chance to win free fresh groceries for a year," said Richard Slisz, director of perishables at Super Foodmart. "The prize translates to huge savings and gives us a way to add extra value to the shopping experience."

The Fresh Look promotion, which is in its fourth year, is designed to communicate the freshness of Shady Brook Farms' wide variety of products and to encourage consumers to take a fresh look at turkey as a year-round meal option, or easy substitute for other meat dishes.

"This promotion has been a tremendous success in showcasing the overall fresh thinking of



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: Peter Watroba (meat manager at Super Foodmart), Rich Slisz (director of perishables at Super Foodmart), Helen Merklein (winner), and Dave Wielgosz (Shady Brook Farms).

the brand by allowing us to put dollars back into valued retailers and to continue to provide fresh rewards to our customers," said Jim Hoagland, director of marketing at Shady Brook Farms.

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As you move inside your home, prepare it so it's as uncluttered, spacious, and neutral as possible. A fresh coat of paint and clean windows and drapes will work wonders.

Moving out excess furniture and items from closets adds spaciousness. Fixing loose doorknobs, leaky faucets, and sticking doors will give your home a cared-for feel.

For more information on preparing your home to sell, call Pam Savioli at (413) 748-7565.

**Our deadline is each Tuesday at 12:00 noon; however, we appreciate any articles, press releases, etc., that can be brought in on Mondays. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.**

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### Margaret Raposa Joins Keenan & Molta Associates' West Springfield Office

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**Spotlight On Business - continued...**

**FORMER PATRIOTS GREAT Steve Grogan (center), Relay Committee chairman, with Ed Borgatti (Relay Committee member, Easter Seals Board), Mike Brunelle, Mark Laurenzano, and Ed Borgatti, Sr. (E.B.'s founder).**

## E.B.'s Caters Easter Seals' 7th 24-Hour Relay For Indenpence

On Saturday, June 5th, E.B.'s Restaurant was the only restaurant in the state to serve the main dinner at the Seventh Annual Easter Seals' 24-Hour Relay for Indenpence.

This year's event, held at Brandeis University, was once again chaired by former New England Patriot quarterback, Steve Grogan. The relay raised over \$200,000 for Easter Seals.

More than 50 teams raised funds in order to walk, run, or wheel around a circular track for 24 hours in support of Easter Seals' programs and services for people with disabilities. E.B.'s staff prepared the food, which was served to over 800 people at the dinner.

"This is a great honor for us. To have a restaurant that's located in Western Massachusetts provide the dinner is fantastic," said E.B.'s owner, Ed Borgatti. "We were extremely excited to help out such a great cause."

Easter Seals' services include physical, speech, and occupational therapy; adaptive swim programs; residential camping for children and young adults; stroke support groups; equipment loan; and technology for independence.

### Legal Memo

by

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#### NEGLIGENCE: Parent Liability - Child's Unauthorized Auto Use

Where (1) defendant and her husband went on a vacation, leaving their 16 year-old daughter home alone with the defendant's car, (2) while her parents were away, the daughter (an unlicensed driver) drove the defendant's car and got into an accident which resulted in injury to the plaintiff and (3) the plaintiff then brought a negligence action against the defendant, a judgment in the defendant's favor must be affirmed because the plaintiff failed to state "a cognizable claim against [the defendant] for negligence ... as a motor vehicle owner with an ordinary duty of due care and liability for the foreseeable consequences of her actions."

In affirming the judgment for the defendant, the Court concluded, "It would be a socially

undesirable result to impose tort liability on a motor vehicle owning parent who, as here, merely leaves accessible to her minor child a motor vehicle, without knowledge or reason to know of the child's propensity to use the vehicle without permission."

The minor daughter was home from school for the summer. She was scheduled to complete her summer jobs by August 5th, then travel via bus and ferry on August 7th to visit with a friend until August 13th. Her parents allowed her to stay by herself for two days at the family home while she finished work and they left on August 3rd for a 10-day vacation.

Food was provided for the daughter and arrangements were made for her transportation needs in her parents' absence. Her parents drove the father's car and left the mother's car in the driveway, unlocked and with the spare key under a floor mat.

The minor daughter had a learner's permit, liked to drive and, on occasion, had previously driven her mother's car but only in the company of a parent, and knew where the car's spare key was kept.

The minor daughter did not have her mother's permission to drive the car while her parents were away. She did so anyway on August 5th and 6th, each time without her mother's prior knowledge

or consent. On August 6th, the daughter was in an accident in which she and her passenger, the plaintiff, were injured.

The plaintiff brought suit in three counts, alleging in count I negligence against the 16 year-old driver, in count II alleging that the defendant "through herself, her agent, employee, or by a person [for] whom she was legally responsible negligently and carelessly operated her motor vehicle [so] as to cause it to collide with another motor vehicle," and alleging in count III that the defendant "negligently entrusted the motor vehicle to her minor daughter, whom she knew or should have known to be incompetent or unfit to use it safely."

The case went to trial before a jury on two of the three counts. The trial judge directed a verdict on count II (vicarious liability) in favor of the defendant, and count III (negligent entrustment) was thereafter submitted to the jury which, in answer to special verdict questions, found that the defendant had not given her daughter general or specific permission to use her car at the time of the accident.

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### Timely Tips On How To Manage Your Finances

by Sue & Charlie Alvanos  
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#### Parent Prep: Financial Strategies For New Moms And Dads...

Having children changes your life — in more ways than one. Not only do you add the joy of caring for that energetic bundle to your routine, but you also add the financial responsibility. And the price tag for parenthood is hefty.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that it costs a middle-income couple more than \$145,000 to raise a child to age 18 (excluding the costs of childbirth and college). So how can you make sure you are financially prepared for your new arrival? Here are some pointers to ease the financial burden of your joyful journey:

**Plan ahead.** If you or your spouse intend to stop working to care for your child, it's likely that your earnings will drop. If time allows before your baby's birth, "practice" living on your new income to ease into the transition. You also may want to eliminate as much debt as possible to reduce your expenses.

**Change your spending habits to free up needed cash.** A childless lifestyle may have let you take an extra vacation or treat yourself to regular nights out on the town. While you may not need to give up every luxury, consider adjusting your living standard to accommodate the extra expenses you'll soon have. Ask friends and family members who are parents to share their own experiences so you have realistic expectations about the cost of parenthood.

**Start a college savings program early.** With college costs rising faster than inflation, educating today's newborn is likely to be a substantial expense nearly two decades from now. And since there is little relief in sight for the cost of higher education, you can realize the urgency of establishing a college fund while your infant is still in the cradle.

If you start planning early, the extended time frame allows for an aggressive investment strategy for the first several years (to stay ahead of rising tuition costs). But, as college gets closer, you may want to shift to a more conservative portfolio mix.

**Maximize your own retirement savings.** Taking financial responsibility for your children shouldn't take the place of financial responsibility to yourself. While saving for your children's education, you shouldn't lose sight of your own long-term goals, such as saving for retirement.

If you haven't made any investments for retirement yet, consider starting now. If you are already investing for retirement, consider making systematic contributions to an investment plan, including a 401(k), 403(b), or other retirement plan; a dividend reinvestment plan; or a mutual fund automatic investment program.

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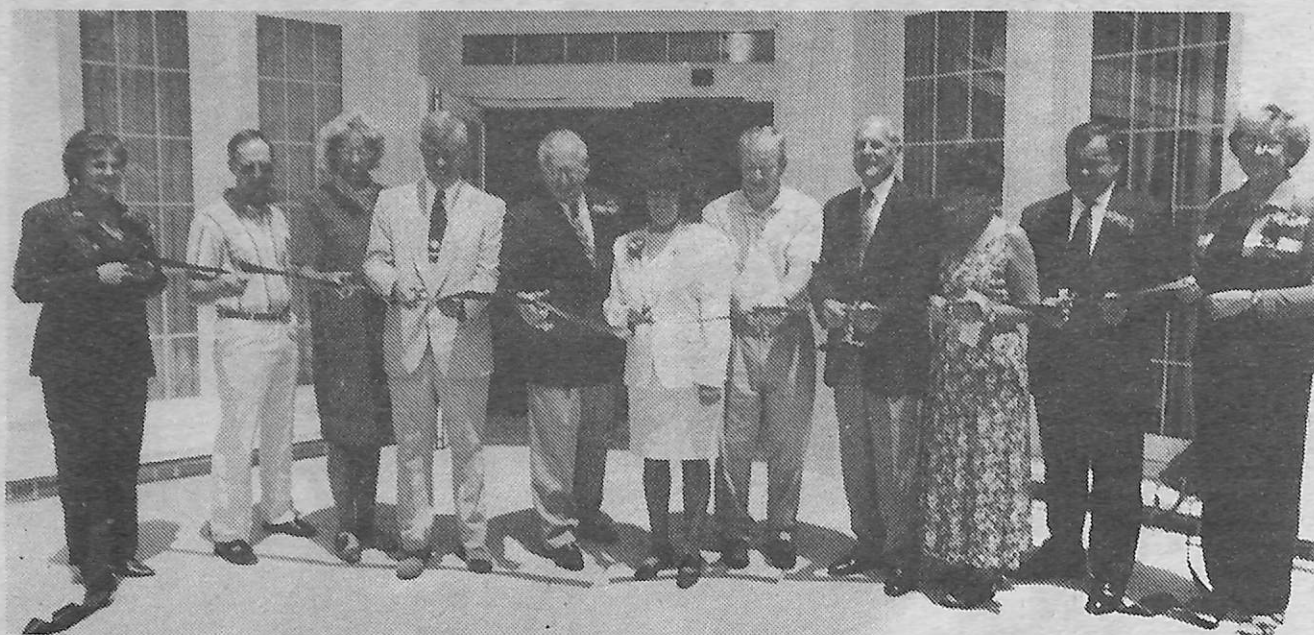
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In Westfield...

## Woronoco Savings Holds Grand Opening Of New Main Office

Woronoco Savings Bank held an open house to celebrate the grand opening of its new main office in Westfield on Saturday, June 26th.

"This is happy day for Woronoco Savings Bank," said Cornelius D. Mahoney, Chairman, President, and CEO. "Our building is completely finished and we're happy to be sharing it with our customers, employees, and the Westfield community."

The celebration included a ribbon-cutting ceremony, guided tours of the building, a jazz trio led by Don Bastarache of the Westfield State College Music Department, and Fantastic Fritz the Clown (from the Pioneer Valley Clown Alley) to entertain the kids.

State Senator Michael Knapik, State Representative Cele Hahn, Westfield Mayor Rick Sullivan, and City Counselor Barbara Russell attended the event and participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremony, along with Fran Ehrhardt (Chairman of the Building Committee), Neil Mahoney, Augie Calheno (Senior Vice-President Lending), and Susan DeFeo (Vice-President Retail Banking).

Bank employees, their families, directors, customers, and the community also attended the event.

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Originally built in 1951, the 31 Court Street building was expanded in 1966 and again in 1978.

The latest expansion project, which doubled the size of the bank's office building, broke ground in August 1997.

The project was completed in two phases — 14,000 square feet of new office space opened in July 1998, and the new lobby opened last December. A complete renovation of the existing building finished last month with the opening of the building's lower concourse.

The expansion was necessary, according to Mahoney, as the bank had outgrown its existing space. Departments were operating out of the annex building, the Central Street building, and the basement of the existing building.

In the new building, all departments operate under the same roof. The expansion project also added much-needed parking spaces in the customer parking area.

Highlights of the guided tour were areas of the building not normally accessed by customers, including behind the teller line, the executive office area, board room, outdoor patio located on the roof of the building, and the lower concourse area (including the technical training room and a community room).

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CHUCK DAVIS (left), Riverside Park's Director of Maintenance, recently presented a "Performance Award" to Al D'amour for his work on the Frisbee ride. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



IN TOP PHOTO: Mike Fleury (left), "Maintenance Person of the Month" at Riverside, with Chuck Davis. IN PHOTO BELOW: Don Sarno (right), a "Creativity Award" recipient, with Chuck Davis. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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## F.H. Public Mkt. Open For Business

by Kathy Shepard  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

A real necessity: Hundreds of people use Springfield Street in town as a major route to and from their destinations, and the **Feeding Hills Public Market** has been in the same place for so long, it has become part of the geography. Without it, many people have no way of getting the foods and other items they need.

The store, closed since February and sold at auction, was purchased by Frank Bond and Gail Bond of Feeding Hills, and under new management, the store is as good as new ... or, rather, "as good as old," seeing as how they want to hold on to that small-town, family, country store atmosphere.

Springfield Street's landscape was not the same without **Feeding Hills Public Market**. It looked all wrong; yet, sitting there idle during the months before the Bonds took it over, the store seemed like a shell without a snail. Not anymore.

Walking inside, customers now find the friendliness and pleasant atmosphere have returned. There is a cheerful, "unautomated," natural feel to the place that makes one think of penny candy, soda pop, and Coca-Cola. There are a few other pleasant changes, including an immaculate mini-coffee bar, with a few counter stools, fresh coffee, and the feeling of being "at home."

**Feeding Hills Public Market** is not just a store, it is a place to visit. Some people congregate there to discuss the news, and some people simply stop in for a loaf of bread and a quick greeting. In any event, although no survey has been taken, we will venture to guess that a lot of people have been waiting to see that sign out front: "OPEN," and they are probably breathing a sigh of relief that the store is back in business.

**Feeding Hills Public Market**, Frank and Gail Bond have heard, is over 70 years-old. It was originally called "Taffy's," they believe, and was owned by the Marieb's family at first. Ironically, one of the Marieb's, Fred, had a son named Michael, who is actually Frank Bond's uncle by marriage. The store was then bought by Richard Kopyscinski, who is Frank's uncle by blood. Frank and Gary Suffriti (another former owner) at one time worked for Richard Kopyscinski. Does anyone see a pattern?

The next owners were Everett Suffriti and later, his son, Gary. So now, full circle, Frank and Gail Bond and their family run this country/family-type store. Everyone is pitching in, including daughter Kaitlin, son Frank, and stepson Joshua. The store is comfortable, cool, clean, and country-like.

### A Large Assortment of Homemade Dishes

The Bonds plan on providing a large assortment of homemade dishes, such as potato salad, macaroni salad, cole slaw, stuffed peppers, and baked beans. A few times a week there are dinner specials, such as meatloaf, and these include two side dishes. There is a pastry case, their coffee comes from The Coffee Cup in Springfield, and they bake their own muffins, danish, and brownies.

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price is high. Even though this strategy does not guarantee a profit or protect against loss in declining markets, it can decrease your average cost per share over time if you continue investing throughout periods of low and high price levels.

**Protect your family with cost-effective insurance.** Your newly added responsibility makes life and disability coverage even more important than in the past. An accident or illness that keeps you from working or causes your premature death could be catastrophic for a growing family. For most people, affordable protection is available that will help your loved ones maintain their lifestyle in the event of the unforeseen.

**Get your estate in order.** At a minimum, work with an attorney to make sure you have an up-to-date will with your intentions clearly spelled out. If something changes in your life — like the birth of a child — your will needs to be amended by executing a document called a codicil.

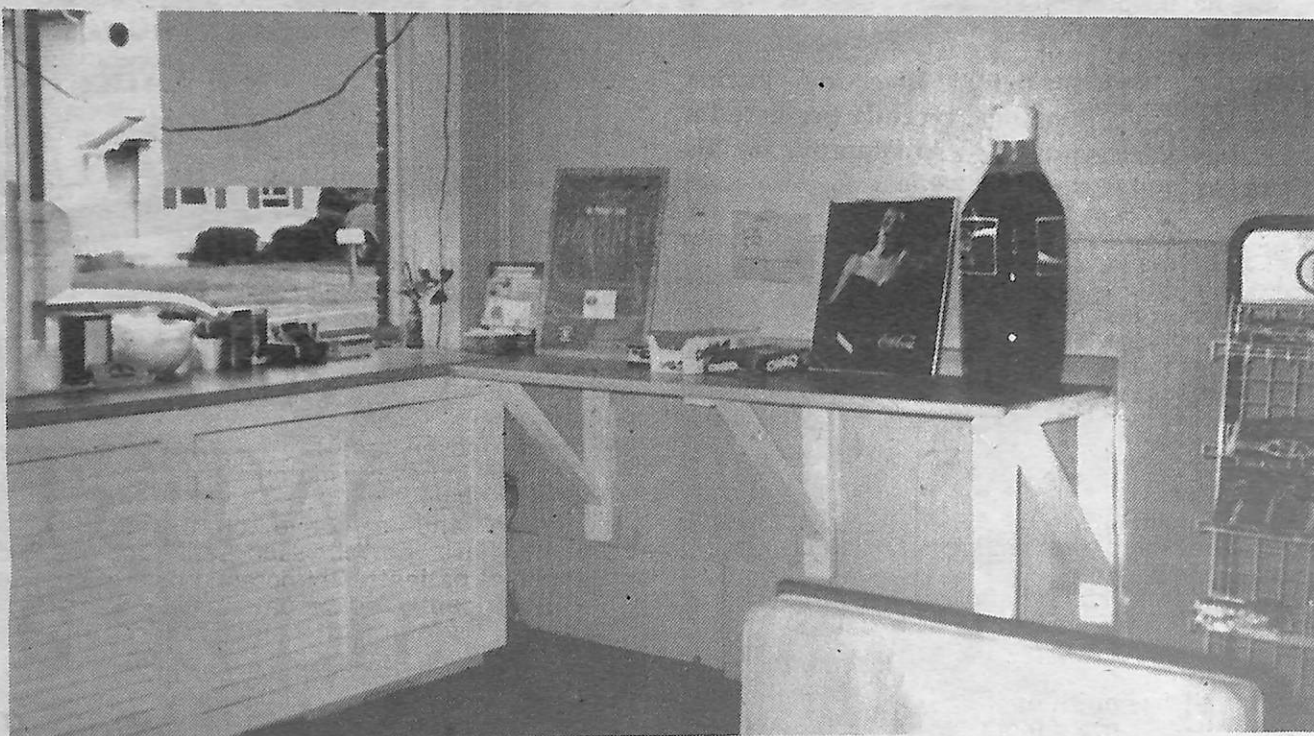
Remember, if you die without a will, a court administrator will not only decide how your assets are distributed, but he or she will also determine guardianship of your minor children.

Even though becoming first-time parents may seem financially overwhelming, most agree that the joy it brings is worth the cost. Keep in mind that you don't have to manage your finances on your own. A knowledgeable financial advisor can help you develop a plan to secure your family's financial future, so you can relax and enjoy the beautiful life you've created.

This week's "Timely Tips..." was made possible by New York Advisors ("Insurance is offered by IDS Life Insurance Company of New York") and Non-New York Advisors ("Insurance is offered by IDS Life Insurance Company").



IN TOP PHOTO: The entrance to Feeding Hills Public Market. IN PHOTO BELOW: The market's mini-coffee bar.



**Feeding Hills Public Market** is really a one-stop shopping destination. Deli, fresh meat, and grocery prices are very competitive. Frank Sr. runs grocery specials every week, like Bran Flakes (2 boxes for \$3) or bean coffee, normally \$3.69 each, can be purchased for \$1.99 if the customer grinds it at home. Candy, ice cream, and delicious rib-eye steaks can be purchased at great prices.

Another benefit is that **Feeding Hills Public Market** is on the bus line, and once upon a time, it

was on a trolley line! All the original woodwork remains in the store. Gail points to what she thinks is the original ceiling and Frank says he wants "to keep the store structurally and architecturally as close to its original condition as possible."

The main thing the Bond family is striving for is what most regular customers have come to appreciate: the country feeling of **Feeding Hills Public Market**. It's still got that same country atmosphere and, if possible, more than ever.

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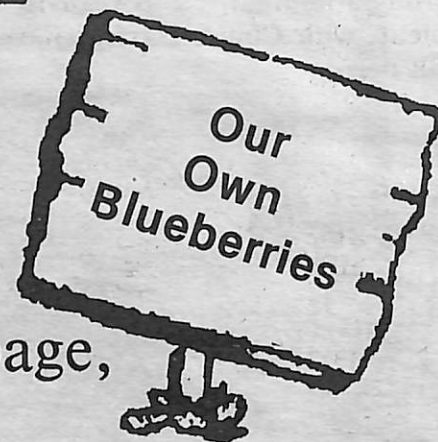
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## Food for Thought

by Nancy Dell  
Registered Dietician

### Feeding Young Children — Good Habits Can Last A Lifetime

Feeding children is full of joys, challenges, and a desire to give kids a healthy start in life. Well-nourished children have the nutrients and energy they need to grow, play, and learn.

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**Serving Sizes:** Pyramid portions are smaller for kids ages two to three; about two-thirds of what counts as a regular Food Guide Pyramid serving. From ages four on, children can be served regular-size portions. (Hint: two to six year-olds need a total of two servings from the Milk Group each day.)

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How can you help young children meet their Pyramid guidelines? By providing the variety of foods they need and helping them learn to make smart food choices.

• **Trust your child's appetite** - if he or she is growing, has energy, and seems healthy. Forcing a child to clean a plate can lead to less healthful eating over time.

• **Substitute nutritionally similar foods** - if your child refuses certain foods. Try carrots in place of sweet potatoes, broccoli for green pepper, or cantaloupe instead of a peach.

• **Think about timing.** Offer a mid-morning and an afternoon snack at least two hours before mealtime so your child is hungry for meals. Try to

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## Your Back And Your Health

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### Whiplash...

Whiplash is most commonly associated with rear-end car collisions in which the heads of those in the front car are suddenly snapped back and forth by the impact. It is more accurately called cervical acceleration/deceleration (CAD) trauma or syndrome, which describes the rapid movements that can injure the vertebrae of the neck and the muscles and ligaments that support them.

Anyone can be subjected to whiplash, even in a low-force car crash at speeds as low as five miles per hour. But injuries associated with whiplash can also result from other mishaps in which the head is pushed or jerked beyond its normal range of motion.

Whiplash most commonly causes serious and lingering back pain, but there may also be back pain, headaches, and dizziness. Inasmuch as bruising of the brain can sometimes occur in auto accidents and similarly severe cases of whiplash, some victims have experienced blurred vision, ringing in the ears, nausea, and numbness.

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2) Try to take frequent breaks from bending over. Also, the same applies to reaching overhead. Vary your activities. By varying the activities, the muscles stay stretched and relaxed!

3) Don't lift more than you can handle. Either lift smaller bundles or ask for help. This can help prevent low back pain or injury to the back.

4) Wear clothing that does not restrict or confine your movements. Be sure nothing is loose enough to get caught.

5) Use the proper tool for each job. Handles need to be long enough to avoid unnecessary stooping.

6) Avoid becoming overheated, drink plenty of water. Make it a point to have water easily accessible at your side.

7) Avoid iced drinks when overheated. Colas and tea can contribute to dehydration.

8) Wear flat, comfortable shoes that offer firm support.

9) Avoid doing your work in an awkward position. Try to maintain a straight spine during the activity. A straight spine is a healthy and strong position.

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### FREE TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT

READ:  
Judges 2:11-23

In those days there  
was no king in Israel;  
everyone did what was  
right in his own eyes.  
—Judges 17:6

What confusion! I had never seen anything like it. On the road from the Leonardo da Vinci Airport to downtown Rome was an intersection where cars had converged from every direction. Each driver was inching his way forward. Horns were blaring. Passions were flaring. No stoplights or traffic cops were there to bring order to this chaos of cars. But there was one positive note: No one was breaking the law—there was no law!

Back in the days before Israel had a king, a similar situation prevailed. Although they had God's law, people ignored it and did what was right in their own eyes (Jud. 17:6). What a bitter price they paid for such freedom!

The book of Judges tells of their disobedience, which resulted in oppression by pagan neighbors.

Still today, many people, and even some professing Christians, ignore God's clear revelation of Himself in His Word. They think they are free to form their own ideas of what God is like and what He expects. Strongly influenced by a godless culture, they live at the center of their own little world and walk in their own ways. That creates moral and spiritual confusion.

We must take God's Word seriously if we are to show our world that Christ gives us freedom to do what's right. —DJD

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On July 14th, the topic will be "Dietary Concerns: How To Enjoy Meals And Still Be Healthy." On July 28th, the topic will be "Stroke Behaviors: What Are They And How Do You Manage Them?"

**Diabetes:** Tuesday, July 27th, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. In Conference Room A at Noble Hospital.

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**CPR Course:** Wednesdays, July 21st and 28th, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. In the Education Department/Ground Floor at Noble Hospital.

This two-part course provides American Heart Association Adult, Child, and Infant Certification. The cost of the course is \$45.

To register or obtain more information, call Noble Hospital's Education Department at (413) 572-5172.

**Smoking Cessation - "Forgetting Cigarettes"** with Joseph Barako, R.N., Certified Hypnotherapist. Sundays, July 11th and 18th, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. In the Bronson Music Room at Noble Hospital.

This two-part program uses hypnosis to eliminate your desire for smoking and allows you to forget cigarettes forever. The registration fee

for this program is \$40 and is paid the evening of the first session.

Seating is limited, and pre-registration is necessary. To pre-register or for more information, call Noble Hospital's HEALTH BEAT at (413) 568-2328.

**Bereavement Group:** In the Bronson Music Room at Noble Hospital.

On the first, second, and third Wednesdays of every month from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Noble Visiting Nurse and Hospice Services offers this weekly support group for people who have experienced the death of a loved one within the past year. We invite all Hospice families and anyone in the community to participate.

For more information, please call Kim Cressotti, RN, at Noble Visiting Nurse and Hospice Services at (413) 562-7049.

**Caregivers' Support Group:** July 28th, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. In the Bronson Music Room at Noble Hospital.

On the last Wednesday of each month, Noble Visiting Nurse and Hospice Services offers this group for those who are caring for someone with a life-threatening illness. Hospice families, staff, and community members are invited to participate.

Call Kim Cressotti, RN, at Noble Visiting Nurse and Hospice Services for more information at (413) 562-7049.

**Noble Hospital's One Week Day C.A.M.P. (Career Adventures in Medical Professions):** August 16th-20th, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. In the Noble Hospital Education Center.

Young men and women entering the seventh and eighth grades will develop introductory skills in diverse health care careers. Campers will experience first-hand possible occupations they may wish to pursue in the health care field.

The program, while based out of the Education Department, will visit various departments throughout the hospital. Campers will have minimal exposure to hospital patients. Health care professionals will directly supervise your child at all times.

The fee is \$95. Enrollment is limited, and early registration is recommended.

Please call (413) 568-2811, ext. 5914, for more information or to obtain registration materials.

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## Registration Being Taken For Dr. Sobel's Summer 1999 Seminars

Dr. Steve Sobel, nationally recognized motivational speaker and humorist, will be presenting two summer seminars that are open to the public.

On July 21st from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., he is presenting "If You Aren't Laughing, You Are Probably Not Living - A Unique Seminar Designed To Reduce Terminal Seriousness, Decrease Stress, And Uplift Your Life." The cost is \$10 per person.

On August 4th, Dr. Sobel is presenting "Play Hard Or Go Home - Providing World-Class Customer Service And Creating A Superb Team." This presentation is from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., and the cost is \$20 per person.

Both of these programs will take place at the Best Western Hotel, located on Route 5 in West Springfield.

Dr. Sobel is the founder and director of The New England Institute For Stress Management of Longmeadow, and the author of *The Good Times Handbook - Your Guide To Positive Living And An Exciting Life* and the popular training video "TEAMBUILDING - Recognizing The Positive Effects Of Positive People."

Advance registration is highly desirable by calling (413) 565-5000.

**DELL - from Page 21...**

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(Next time: "Teaching Kids To Enjoy A Variety Of Foods.")

Nancy Dell, MS, is a registered dietitian in private practice in Feeding Hills and the media representative for the Massachusetts Dietetic Association. She can be reached at 850 Springfield Street, Suite 4, Feeding Hills, MA 01030, (413) 786-2957. Accepting Tufts, Secure Horizons, and Harvard Pilgrim.

*From Baystate Health System...*

## Protect Yourself When Thunderstorms Hit This Summer

Each year, lightning during the thunderstorm season (which runs from May to September) kills between 150 to 200 people in the United States.

"Lightning can cause a victim's heart to stop and seriously affect the internal organs," said Dr. Philip Henneman, Emergency Medicine for Baystate Health System.

Henneman offers the following guidelines in the event of a thunderstorm with dangerous lightning:

- Don't go near water, and don't lie down on wet ground. If possible, crouch down in a dry ditch.

- Stay away from tall or metal objects like flagpoles, fences, and trees.

- If you are indoors, stay away from electrical appliances and avoid using the telephone.

- Don't watch storms from an open window or door. Also, avoid the fireplace because the chimney is a target.

He said feeling your hair stand on end is a warning that lightning is about to strike near you and for safety sake you should crouch down immediately.

"The safest place to be is in a steel-framed building or a building protected by lightning rods," said Henneman.

## Mery Hospital Hosts Cancer Support Group

Persons with cancer, their families, and friends are invited to attend Mercy Hospital's Cancer Support Group. The free meetings are conducted Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the hospital's Deliso Conference Center, 299 Carew Street, Springfield.

The group offers information on topics of interest to cancer patients, and provides an opportunity to share experiences in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. Meetings are facilitated by Sr. Madeleine Joy, S.P., of Mercy's Pastoral Care Department.

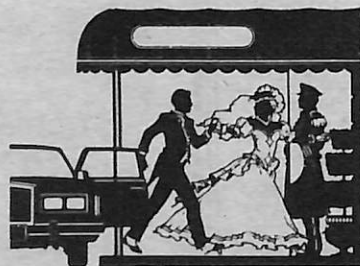
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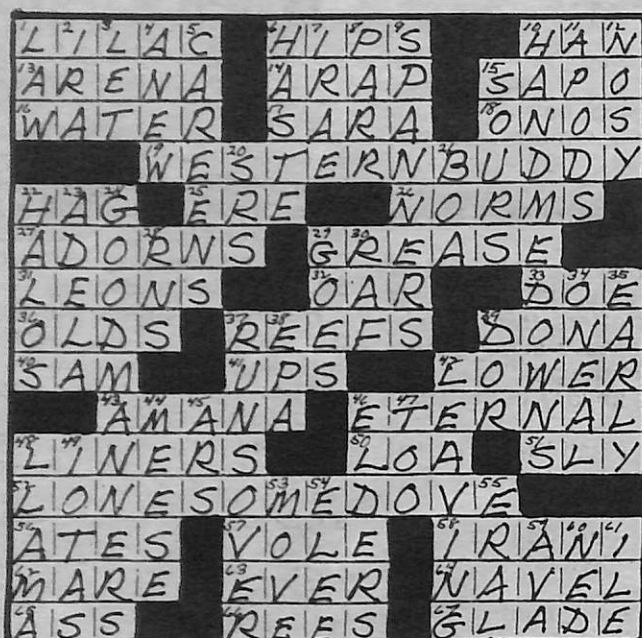


# Arts

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- 11 Throws
- 16 Add zest
- 18 Kidney-shaped nut
- 19 Read out loud
- 21 H.G. Wells classic
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- 38 Hold off
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- 62 Black bird
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- 79 Unusable
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- 83 Fishing boats
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- 89 — gin fizz
- 90 Island of the Divi-Divi
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- 94 Introductions (slang)
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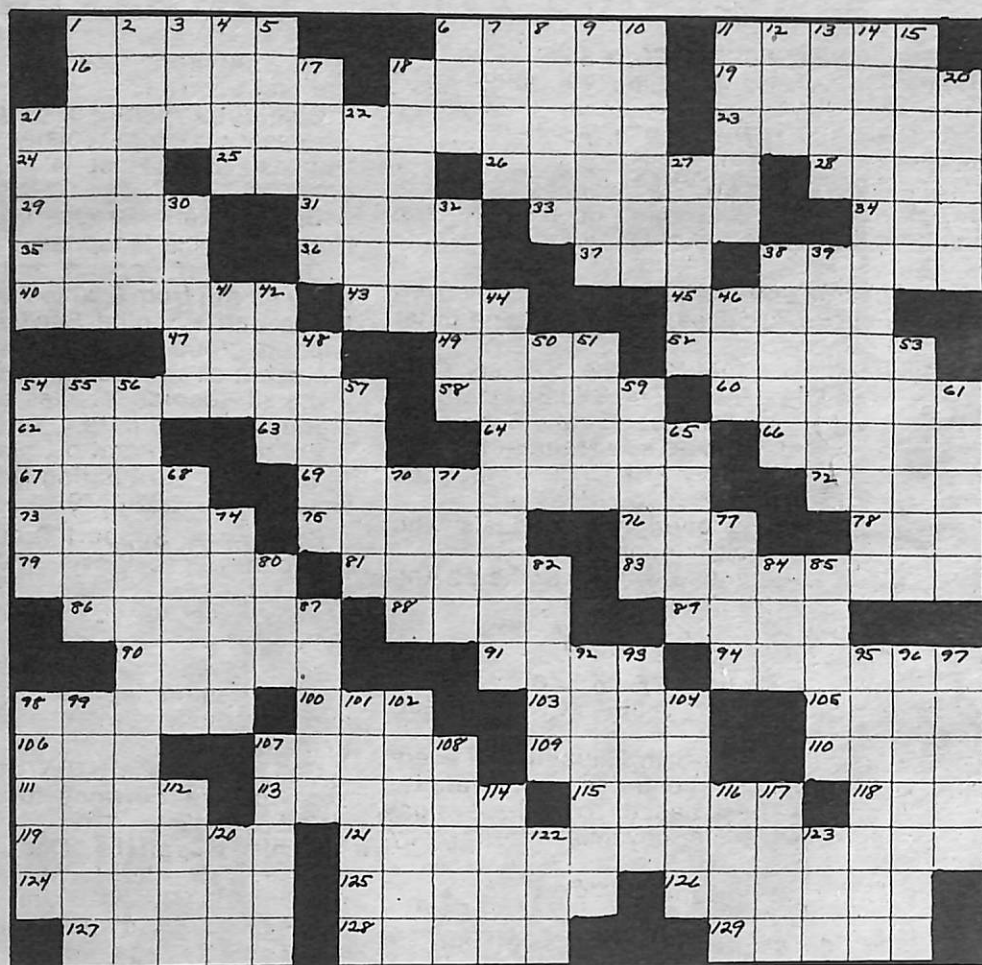
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- 7 Arthur of the courts
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- 10 Candies
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- 14 Often repeated
- 15 Lack nourishment
- 17 Delight in
- 18 Frankness
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- 32 Cut corners
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- 80 Actress Reynolds to friends
- 82 Lays in crops
- 84 Came out on top
- 85 "— Call You Sweetheart"
- 87 Pan with pipe
- 92 Writer
- 93 Raftsman
- 95 Worked a cedar closet
- 96 Grove fruits
- 97 Feel intuitively
- 98 Embers
- 99 Wind down
- 101 Highly pleased
- 102 Dwell
- 104 Rail birds
- 107 Cares for
- 108 Pay up
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- 116 Journalist Adolph
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- 122 Meaning of pro
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## Meet The Master - by Dick Mastroianni...



Dick Mastroianni's "Meet The Master" is just one more reason why you turn our pages each and every week — AAN!!!

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## STAGE Announces Dates For Drama Camp Performances

Lyle Pearsons and Margie Secora, co-producers of STAGE, recently announced that the 1999 summer season is full with a record 182 young people signed up for the five camps.

The three two-week drama camps which end in public performances are "Return To Wonderland," an original sequel by Pearsons scheduled for July 9th, 10th, 11th; "The Snoop Troop Agency," an original mystery by Secora, is scheduled to debut July 23rd, 24th, and 25th; and "The Sword and the Crystal," a medieval fantasy, also written by Secora, making a return engagement August 6th, 7th, and 8th.

Tickets for these shows and other theatrical offerings at The Red Door, including The Hilltop Players Family Theater, may be made by calling (413) 789-2026. Most shows sell out, so reservations are strongly recommended.

The Red Door is an intimate, 120-seat theatre located at 152 South Westfield Street in Feeding Hills (on the hill beside the Valley Community Church).

Parents interested in involving their children in STAGE Drama Camps and workshops may request they be put on the mailing list to be part of this popular award-winning theatrical enterprise.

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Our deadline is each Tuesday at 12:00 noon; however, we appreciate any articles, press releases, etc., that can be brought in on Mondays. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter... AAN!!!

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## Education

### Good-Bye, Clark ... Hello, Middle School



ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23RD — the day before Agawam's schools closed for the summer — the fourth-graders at Clark Elementary School held a "graduation" ceremony to commemorate their advancement to the Agawam Middle School this fall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam And Feeding Hills Students Graduate From Westfield State College

Westfield State College has announced the names of area graduates who received degrees in the spring of 1999.

#### From Agawam:

**Joe Beauchemin** of 35 Horsham Place, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.

**Patricia Belisle** of 61 Fernwood Drive, Bachelor of Science in Education in Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude.

**Lisa Brew** of 114 Cosgrove Avenue, Bachelor of Science in Education in Elementary Education, Cum Laude.

**Lynn Carra** of 39 Primrose Lane, Bachelor of Science in Education in Elementary Education, Cum Laude.

**Stacey Dickinson** of 33 Dartmouth Street, Bachelor of Arts in Psychology.

**Brian Pellegrino** of 59 Debra Lane, Bachelor of Arts in Psychology.

**Derek Vrijenhoek** of 75 Campbell Drive, Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems.

#### From Feeding Hills:

**Eric Charest** of 42 White Birch Terrace, Bachelor of Science in Business Management.

**Thomas Cordis** of 100 Thalia Drive, Bachelor of Science in Business Management.

**Marie Fortier** of 40 Pheasant Run Circle, Bachelor of Science in Business Management, Summa Cum Laude.

**Jason Gilmartin** of 48 Wilbert Terrace, Bachelor of Arts in History, Cum Laude.

**Beth Lacienski** of P.O. Box 117, Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

**Daniel Montagna** of 30 Norris Street, Bachelor of Science in Regional Planning.

**Allison Readio** of 362 North Street, Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, Cum Laude.

**Nicholas Rondinelli** of 72 Joanne Circle, Bachelor of Science in Business Management, Cum Laude.

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*During Week-Long Birthday Bash...*

## Bard Of Avon Honored By AHS English Students

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

The guest of honor couldn't be present for Agawam High School's week-long celebration of his birthday. But some of his creations, the most widely recognized characters ever to have their exits and their entrances as mere players on the world's stages, were there in person.

After a week of activities celebrating his birthday, Agawam High students brought the festivities to a fitting conclusion by donning the distinctive costumes and taking up the armor and swords characteristic of any presentation of the works of William Shakespeare to present scenes from their favorite plays at an assembly open to all students at the school.

Mario Santillo chose to portray the player King from *Hamlet* because he felt he could perform that part better than other parts. Mario said that being exposed to the plays through the Shakespeare festival helps some students get over the commonly held belief that they won't like studying the works and they come to enjoy the performances. "The messages of Shakespeare never die," Mario noted.

Hoping to drum up some recruits for next year's production, Lady Chamberlain Angie Gontczaruk quipped, "You could be on the stage next year, wearing the costumes, reading the lines, and acting stupid."

Angie, who was also a member of the Shakespeare Club as an underclassman, says she likes Shakespeare and understands what he is saying to the audience.

The original star-crossed lovers, Romeo and Juliet, had their turn on the stage, as did Hamlet, the guy who can't decide whether to be or not to

be. Sinister Iago, jealous Othello, and murderous MacBeth, along with lesser characters, starred in scenes from some of the best-known Shakespearean plays.

### Commemorating Shakespeare's 435th Birthday...

Put on by the Shakespeare Society (a.k.a. students in Larry O'Brien's Advanced Placement English courses), the fifth Annual Shakespeare Week was held to commemorate his 435th birthday with poster and trivia contests, scenes from the plays acted out for the English classes, and with a showcase filled with Shakespearean board games, models, props, and projects created by students in previous years.

Each year, O'Brien gives his students "playbills" outlining the various activities they can participate in to earn class credit. Students get points for dressing as a Shakespearean character on costume day, performing a scene for a freshman or sophomore English class, making a poster to advertise the celebration, answering trivia questions, making a video, or appearing on stage in the student assembly.

This year, students also were given Shakespeare insult kits to familiarize themselves with some of the more colorful epithets hurled at each other by Shakespeare's characters. Students earned credit by using the insults in their classwork, O'Brien said.

O'Brien said his students enjoy bringing their favorite scenes to freshman and sophomore English classes in their classroom visits, and the younger students enjoy getting an introduction to Shakespeare from a student dressed in character.

Co-advisor to the Shakespeare Society, English

teacher Kathleen Mounemneh thinks the students develop a true appreciation for the works through their work on the yearly birthday celebration.

"You can see by the way they are saying the lines, they really 'get it,'" Mrs. Mounemneh said. "The students tried putting the scenes together from different plays in a thematic way and that shows they have developed a true understanding and appreciation for his works."

Participating in this year's performances were:  
Scene 1: "*Henry V*": Robin Przybyla, Marie Hubin, Eva Donnerhack (Act 5, scene 2).

Scene 2: "*Romeo and Juliet*": Leila Mounemneh, John Dezielle, Ali Jackobek, Michelle Beaudette (Act 1, scene 5).

Scene 3: "*Othello*": Ali Jackobek, Amanda Peters (Act 4, scene 3).

Scene 4: "*Taming of the Shrew*": Jen Niedziela, Ali Jackobek (Act 5, scene 2).

Scene 5: "*Othello*": Eric Sunny, Patty Zerra (Act 5, scene 1).

Scene 6: "*Julius Caesar*": Jen McGuire, Patty Zerra (Act 1, scene 1).

Scene 7: "*Hamlet*": Ali Siano, Nikki Reshamwala (Act 1, scene 5).

Scene 8: "*MacBeth*": Shelley Rose, Jen McGuire, Amanda Peters (Act 5, scene 1).

Just in case: "*Othello*": Paul LaBarre, Justin Kratovil (Act 1, scene 3 [330]).

Crew: Charlie Denison, Brian Rondeau, Mario Santillo, Michelle Beaudette, Kelly Cortis, Sarah Nacewicz, and Jen McGuire.

Tickets: Dan Balbony, Jessica Dutton, Melissa Crough, Jay Flood, and Lindsay Mason.

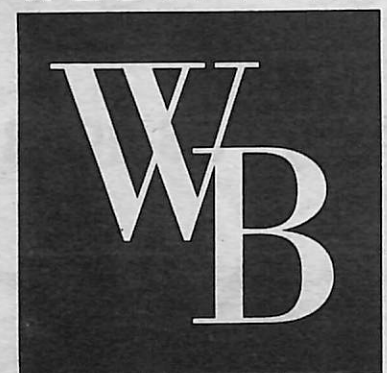
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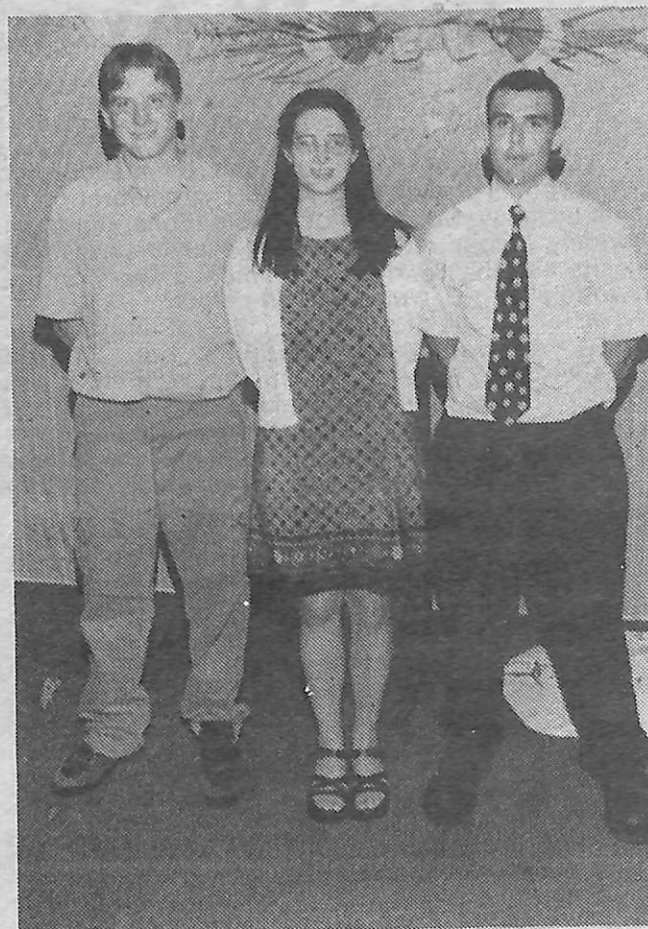
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## AHS Band Celebrates At Alexander's...



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL BAND recently held its year-end banquet at Alexander's Restaurant in Feeding Hills. Among the band members in attendance were Melody Pope, Catherine Sheehan, Jennifer Churchill, Wayne Bonesteel, Jesci Siegler, Brian Barnes, Kathleen Water, and Pat Lennon. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MIKE KRAPP, MARY MANNING, and DAN SHAW at the year-end banquet for the Agawam High School band, which was held at Alexander's Restaurant in Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



"BAND"-ING TOGETHER AT THE BANQUET: Rebecca Rising, Jennifer Loomis, Angela Gontczaruk, Jessica Nolan, Sara Stevenson, Laura Tenerowicz, Mario Santillo, Danielle Bourdeau, Charlie Denison, Evan Konopka, Erik Sunny, Shelley Rose, Robin Przybyla, Chris Trevethan, Emily Tampone, Jennifer McGuire, Nathan Meade, Marie Hubin, and Nina Konig. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## Jr. High Students Hold Memorial Ceremony

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

There were songs and poems, tears and smiles, candles and tributes as friends and family members joined more than a dozen Junior High School students who have lost close relatives for a memorial ceremony bringing some sense of closure to the grief support groups led by a school counselor and a grief counselor.

A table held a display of photos and mementos as poignant reminders of the lives lived and the pain of the survivors' loss. An Agawam Fire Department helmet shared space on the table with a mounted fish, a cribbage board, a shamrock, family portraits, and candid snapshots.

Diane Lewis, site supervisor at the Agawam Counseling Center in Feeding Hills Center, said two support groups were formed — one for students who had lost a parent, and one for students who had lost a close relative (to help the students deal with their grief over the deaths). Some of the students had experienced a recent death in the family, while others were mourning for relatives who had died some time ago. Both the students and the school benefited from the program, according to Ms. Lewis.

"The group supports each other and the kids realize they are not alone. I think it's amazing that the school recognized something like this," Ms. Lewis said. "If the kid's schoolwork is slipping, the school will already know that the student is struggling with the loss of a loved one."

Attending the ceremony with her nephew, Patrick Coffey, who has lived with her family since his mother's death when he was two years-old, resident Melanie Sapelli thinks the support group is an important outlet for the students to deal with their feelings on their own level, with their peers. "I think it's a great idea," Mrs. Sapelli said. "Kids need to talk to other kids about their loss. This is not something adults can understand."

Wendy Bradley, the school's substance abuse prevention counselor, developed the support groups after being alerted by the Guidance



**THE AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS** who recently held a memorial ceremony as part of the grief support groups conducted by a school counselor and a grief counselor. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Department that several students had recently experienced the death of a parent or a loved one, and that something had to be done to help them deal with their grief.

### "... A Very Close-Knit Community ..."

"This is a very close-knit community and people kept telling us of parents and grandparents of students who had passed away recently," Ms. Bradley said. "The teachers have been very supportive in letting the kids come to group during class time because they realize that dealing with grief is just as important as their academic work."

Meeting once a month, the groups talked about the different reactions people have in dealing with grief, what it's like to attend a wake or a funeral, life after the loss of a loved one, and the difficulty of talking about death with their families and friends.

"But, mostly, we just told stories," Ms. Bradley said. "There is a healing value to the narratives, to hearing yourself say it."

As part of the ceremony, many of the students remembered their loved ones through songs, poems, and stories of a World War II practical

joker, a first date, a family Easter egg hunt, a rich French accent, and a lilting Irish brogue.

As the students planted flower seeds as living memorials to their loved ones, Ms. Bradley read seventh-grader **Chris Nyman's** poem, based on the ancient Egyptian reincarnation belief that all people who pass away are turned into flowers. **Danielle Craig, Leslie Boss, and Jillian Perry** joined **Danielle Pisano** in singing *The Star-Spangled Banner* as a tribute to her grandfather, a World War II veteran. Jillian spoke of the 11 years with her father and the memories she will always cherish.

At the conclusion of the emotional and bittersweet ceremony, there were tears and hugs among the group members as they invited their guests to join them for a pizza party, courtesy of Bruno's Pizza.

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**Robert Snow, Carol Knowlton, Dorothy Johnson, Katherine Kane, John Castle, Paul Marble, Abby Lewis, Linda Coffey, John Sullivan, William O'Connor, Katherine McCarthy, Mark DePelteau, Grampa Pop, Robert Craig, John Crocker, and Paul Chicoin.**

## Agawam Area Students Honored At MacDuffie School

At graduation ceremonies at The MacDuffie School in Springfield on June 5th and 6th, Agawam area students received recognition for academic and extracurricular achievements.

Among the graduates was **Amber Hoffman** of Feeding Hills, who will attend Colby Sawyer College in New Hampshire.

Agawam resident **Stefanie Goyette** was named to the High Honor Roll for earning a B-plus average, and she was recognized for placing seventh nationally and first in Western Massachusetts on the Level 3 Concours de Français national French exam. She also placed ninth in the nation on the Spanish 3 national exam and won a faculty prize for excellence in Spanish.

Also named to the High Honor Roll were ninth-grader **Jennifer Dobise** and seventh-grader **Kathleen Ratkiewicz** of Agawam.

Also named to the Honor Roll was sophomore **Melody Serafino**, and freshman **Matt Zajdel** won a Magna Cum Laude citation for his performance in the national Latin I exam. Matt also won a faculty award for thoughtfulness and support of fellow students. Both Melody and Matt live in Agawam.

In addition, eighth-grader **Jeffrey Woodard** was recognized for placing ninth in Western Massachusetts on the level I French exam, and **Angela Conniff** received a faculty prize for excellence in athletics. Both are from Feeding Hills.

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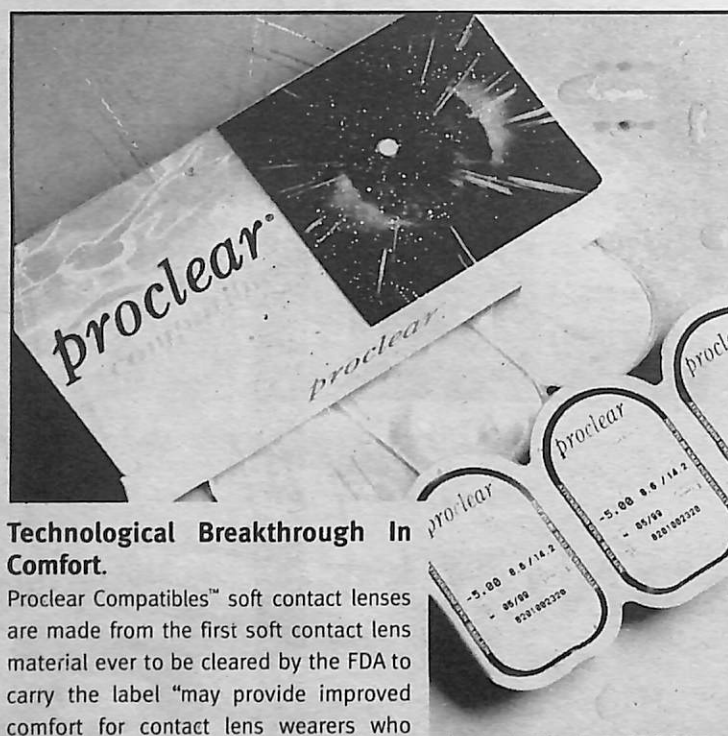
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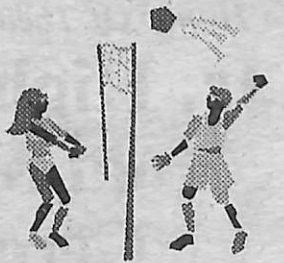




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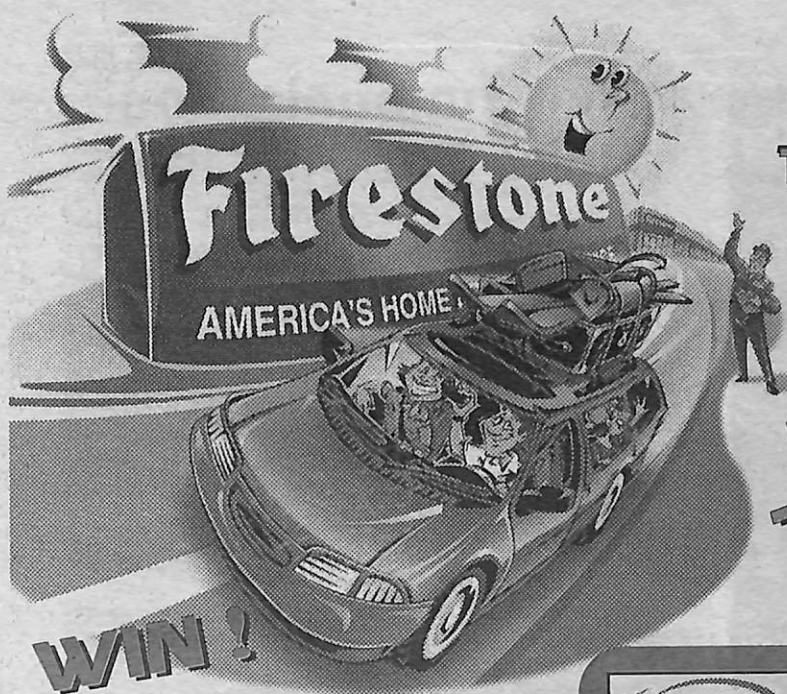
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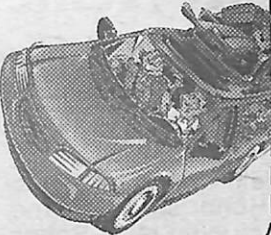
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## New Immunization Rules For Students

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has issued new immunization regulations for all students entering grade seven in September of 1999.

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## Adam Kimball Named To Dean's List At Bentley College

Bentley College Undergraduate Dean Charles R. Hadlock has announced that Adam Kimball of Feeding Hills was named to the Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement during the spring 1999 semester.

A member of the sophomore class, Kimball is a Finance major at Bentley.

To be named to the Dean's List, a full-time student must have a grade point average of 3.3 or higher, with no course grade below 2.0 during the term.

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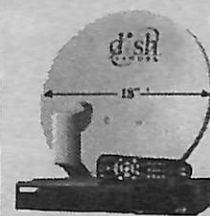
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## Accelerated Readers Enjoy End-Of-Year Party At Middle School

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During the 1998-1999 school year, the fifth grade earned 11,045.3 ACR points, while the sixth grade accumulated 8,424.3 points.

Mrs. Friedenson's fifth-grade class amassed the most points in the school — 1,961.6 points — followed by Miss Soverow's fifth-grade class, which earned 1,592.9 points. Once again, Mrs. Gaylor's class led the sixth grade with 1,449.3 points.

Sonja Jedziniak was the top sixth-grade reader, earning an astounding 563.8 points over her two years at the Middle School. She was awarded a \$25 Barnes and Noble gift certificate, a gold-filled bookmark, a book, and a \$5 book of certificates to the cinema.

Kevin Clark earned 314 points over his two years at Agawam Middle School. He received a \$20 Barnes and Noble gift certificate and a \$5 book of certificates to the cinema.

The top fifth-grade reader was Ashley Weisse with 237.6 points. She was awarded a \$10 Barnes and Noble gift certificate and a \$5 book of certificates to the cinema.

Gift certificates worth \$15 each were given to three sixth-grade students who earned between 200-299 points. They were: MaryLou Gottardi (237.6 points), Danielle Glantz (235.6 points), and Vanessa Tencati (200.4 points).

A total of 35 sixth graders, who earned between 100-199 ACR points over their two years at Agawam Middle School, were presented with \$10 Barnes and Noble gift certificates. The students included: Alyssa Zmaczynski, Kelly Follis, William Bertrand, Jamie Cullen, Katie Tapley, Corey Chrusciel, Katie Gorman, Gina Graziano, Joe McGeoghan, Shane O'Sullivan, Abriana Spagnoli, Erik Deliefde, Jeannine Hastings, Kristen Pfau, Adam Corbin, Stephanie Klebes, Anthony Sotolotto, Michael Toto, Nadim Ghaname, Kevin Bienia, Jeff Chapman, Sarah Clark, Leah Cook, Daniel Cosgrove, Andrew Menard, Sarah Rollins, Meredith Goldbach, Kristan Heaton, Matt Weir, Nathan Little, Heather Rennell, Emily Gordon, Alexandria Ivey, Kristan Laliberte, and Ryan Pellerin.

Students who accumulated 50-99 points during the second half of the year were given books. They were: Allison Dassatti, Justin Stevens, Chantel Cuddemi, Ashley Toyfair, Uche Ejesi, Johannah Kos, Svetlana Surzhukov, Ashley Weisse, Alex Friedrich, Mike Longhi, Sarah Macfadzen, Michael Suchenicz, Ashley Weir, Nicole Cirillo, Joe Greaney, Lindsie Lavin, Luca Mineo, Alan Hardina, Kelly Follis, MaryLou Gottardi, Stephanie Klebes, Sonja Jedziniak, Kristan Heaton, Jennifer Bock, Emily Gordon, Ryan Pellerin, and Noelle Serafino.

Those students who earned 25-49 points received ACR pencils.

Special thanks goes to the Middle School PTO for providing the ice cream and the prizes, and to the volunteers who served the refreshments. The Middle School PTO has actively supported the Accelerated Reader Program over the years.



IN LEFT PHOTO: This year's top Middle School students in the Accelerated Reader Program — Sonja Jedziniak (sixth grade) and Ashley Weisse (fifth grade). IN PHOTO ABOVE: Ally Bertagnolli, Amber Mynatt, and Nicole Payeur at the year-end party for the Accelerated Reader Program. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

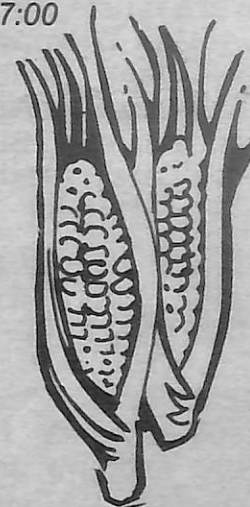
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Katherine O'Connell, Kevin Olbrych, Jillian Perry, Bethany Reid, Brenton Reveruzzi, Christopher Roos, Adam Roy, Anthony Rueli, Jeffrey Sabola, Sara Skolnick, Megan Smith, Kristen Sopet, Emily Sussman, Alissa Tully, Jessica Tully, Eva Udobina, Victoria Urrea.

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Anastasia Aversa, Angelina Barbarisi, William Barker III, Thomas Barnes, Justin Belden, Alexandra Bertagnolli, Crystal Bianco, Michael Blanchard, Christopher Blanchette, Christina Borgatti, Gabrielle Brown, Sarah Bulmer, Brian Burke, Cameron Butova, Emily Cassidy, Justin Chretien, Daniel Cirillo, Nicole Cirillo, Sieana Close, Sherrice Colburn, Laura Cote, Alycia Cove, Nicole Cristelli, Jonathan Crothers, Chaniel Cuddemi, Alison Dassatti, Christina Davis, Erica De Barge, Andrea Desrosiers, Nicholas Dimaio, Alexis Dumas.

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*From Granger Elementary School...*

### Brownie Troop 554 Looks Back On 1998-1999 School Year

Granger Brownie Troop 554 would like to thank families, friends, and Granger School for their support during the '98-'99 year.

Our special thanks to Betty Laliberte, Co-Leader, Mary O'Connell, Cookie Mom, and Judy Cosby, All-Around Helper.

The Troop earned three try-its: Colors and Shapes, Careers, and Her Story. They were able to complete their Junior Bridging activities with the help of Granger Junior Troop 525 and Granger Daisy Troop 589.

The girls participated in these Community Service Projects: Shriners' Hospital Tab Collection, Agawam Junior Women's Club Holiday Basket Program, MSPCA Rowley Animal Hospital Donation Program, and the Open Pantry Food Collection.

In addition, the Troop took field trips to: Pell Farm, Agawam Police Station, Springfield Technical Community College, American Hapkido and World Olympic Tae Kwon Do, and Judy's Arts and Crafts.

The one major event enjoyed by all was the overnight Springfield Science Museum Camp-In Program with a Whodunit Mystery Theme.

The girls finished their year with a Mother-Daughter Hu Ke Lau Dinner Show on June 18th, where they received their "wings" to Junior Girl Scouts.



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## Sports

# Sunday Night Summer Soccer League Is A Huge Hit In Town And Growing

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

Former Agawam High School soccer star Jeff Rousseau admits he didn't dream of just how successful the Agawam Sunday Night Summer Soccer League would become when he cooked up the idea five years ago.

"No way," he said. "We started out with eight teams and 85 players. Now we have 32 teams and 422 participants. That includes the women, who came in last season with four teams and now have 10 teams and 141 players."

The league will run until August 15th, when the playoffs are concluded. It's a seven-on-seven format that is open to just about all ages and sees fathers competing against or with sons; mothers with or against daughters; coaches against and with their players; and good buddies against good buddies. On any given late Sunday summer afternoon and evening in Agawam, you can find these combinations and many more battling for glory in the league.

"We originally envisioned it as a program for the Town of Agawam. But that concept didn't last too long," Rousseau admitted. "We've doubled in size just over the past two years. Now we're getting team applications from all over Western Massachusetts and Western Connecticut as well."

They used to play at the Agawam High athletic fields. But recent construction on the High School saw the festivities switch to the Junior High. The move turned out to be an advantageous one. "We actually have more field space and the parking areas also suite the league's growth. And the town has been very gracious to us in providing the facilities," Rousseau said.

### A Limit To All Good Things...

But, there is a limit to all good things — even the SNSSL. "Without a doubt," Rousseau agreed. He cited the possibility of too many teams and (in the end) too little field space, as well as a possible lack of manpower to run the league properly. "We aren't there yet. But you can see it coming," he said, then added, "I was looking at maybe an eight- to 10-year window before it got like it is now."

With the increase of teams has come an increase in the skill level of the participants, according to Rousseau. "Not everyone is an outstanding player. But many are good enough to make things intense at any given time. We had started it out as a fun league; a way to keep your hand in during the summer off-season. Not that it isn't a lot of fun now. It's just that fun comes in different packages," he smiled.

Rousseau is a certified soccer referee and also attends Western New England College, where (up until this year) he was a member of the Golden Bear soccer team. There are only so many hours in a week. For instance, recently he went to Rhode Island to officiate a regional soccer championship. That was a five-day affair. He has similar duties in other parts of New England during the summer as well as the fall.

But, like all good managers, Rousseau has surrounded himself with good people who make sure things are always up and running, no matter what the circumstances might be. New Agawam varsity soccer Coach Glenn Olson, former AHS soccer star Mike Domingue, and former AHS

varsity Coach Dwight Northrup are some. Rousseau's parents, Janet (league treasurer), and his dad, Robert (head of officials), also figure into the mix. Former AHS soccer standout Dina DeMarco has skillfully guided the growth of the women's division. "Dina has done a great job there. She deserves credit for the success of the women," Rousseau stressed.



JEFF ROUSSEAU (left) and MIKE DOMINGUE holding trophies that were given to last year's champs in the Sunday Night Summer Soccer League (SNSSL). Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.

Last year, the league introduced trophies for the champions in each division. This year, there is a web site. According to Rousseau, just punch up [www.snssl.org](http://www.snssl.org) and you'll get updates on scores and other pertinent information concerning league activities.

Rousseau doesn't know how much longer he'll be involved. But he sees it as something that could go on a long time if it is run the way it has been run to this point. "Maybe two or three more years for me. In the end, I'd like to hand it over to someone with an interest and a love for soccer, like myself and everyone else involved," he smiled.

## Fitness First Slates Vicki Sleeper Golf Tournament

On Saturday, July 17th, Fitness First will hold its seventh Annual Vicki Sleeper Memorial Golf Tournament at Shaker Farms Country Club in Westfield.

All proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the New Beginnings Woman's Shelter in Westfield. The tournament is in memory of Fitness First's former Aquatic Director, Vicki Sleeper, who died as a victim of domestic violence in 1992.

The entry fee is \$75 per person and includes 18 holes of play, one cart per twosome, lunch, steak dinner, golf balls, tees, and a ticket for the giant raffle. The field is limited to 80 golfers, so interested persons should register early.

Fitness First still has some openings for hole and tee sponsors at \$50 each (includes signage). Interested businesses or individuals that would like to sponsor a hole or tee should contact Denise Moffatt at Fitness First.

Dinner-only tickets may be purchased for \$20. Dinner will be served under the tent at Shaker around 7:00 p.m.

Applications are available at Fitness First in Feeding Hills and Nevada Bob's in West Springfield. If you would like to sponsor a tee or green or have an application sent/faxed to you, please call Fitness First at 786-1460.

## Summer Baseball Camp To Be Held Once Again At Sacred Heart

The Coaches Camp will once again be running their summer baseball camp at Sacred Heart Church. The camp will be run for two separate weeks this summer.

The dates will be July 19th and July 26th. The cost of the camp is \$100. During the week, the fundamentals of baseball will be covered, as well as games being played daily.

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# Coach Dillon Is Looking For More Boys And Girls To Sign Up For Cross-Country

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

Though cross-country running should in no way be confused with the Marines, Agawam High cross-country Coach Bill Dillon is looking for a few good guys and some good girls as well.

Before school exited for the summer, Dillon had been holding meetings with kids at the High School and the Junior High in an attempt to recruit runners for what he considers a sport that can be very rewarding, if you give it a chance.

Agawam has both a boys' and girls' cross-country team. Last season, they had seven runners on each squad. Those numbers could and should be higher, according to the coach. "We'd like more runners. Currently, we have some 10 to 12 boys and eight to nine girls interested. Ideally, we would like to have from 15 to 20 on each team," he said.

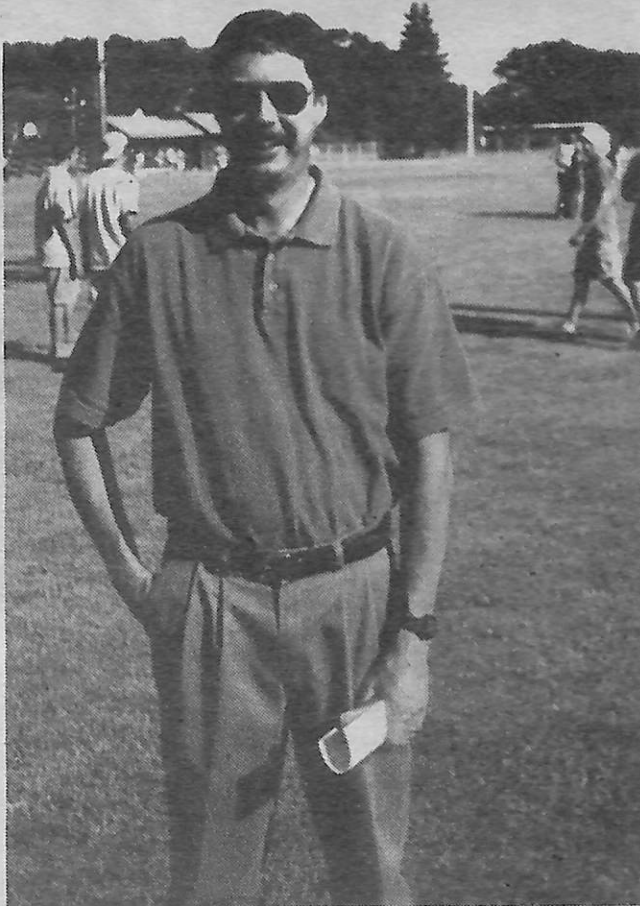
According to the coach, cross-country is not expensive. All that is really needed to compete is a good pair of running shoes. Also, no experience is necessary. "Anyone can pick it up. You can see yourself improve the more you run, and it is a great way to get into top physical shape."

Then he added, "Also, no one sits on the bench. You come to practice, you run in the meets. It's as simple as that. If the other fall sports don't seem to be for you, but you want to compete, cross-country just might be the answer."

The coach stressed that kids in all the classes are encouraged to come out for the team (practice starts towards the end of August). "We could really use freshmen in particular. All anyone needs on these teams is the desire to compete," said Dillon.

## Not An Intimidating Sport...

Cross-country isn't an intimidating sport. The team practices together, utilizing different workouts to break things up. "Some days we'll run



**CROSS-COUNTRY COACH Bill Dillon.**

Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.

around the school grounds. Some days the distances will be shorter than others, but it's all designed to get everyone in the best shape possible to compete in the meets," Dillon pointed out.

Many of their practices are held at Robinson State Park, the home course for Agawam High cross-country. "It's 3.1 miles (or 5 K, as they say in the sport). The layout has a lot of character. There is some nice scenery, interesting trails and curves, and uphill and downhill stretches. It has something for every runner," he smiled.

The coach (who has over 20 years of experience in the sport as a runner, then as a coach at South Hadley High, West Springfield High, and now at AHS) stressed that no one gets cut. "If you don't want to run anymore, just drop out," he said, then added, "Like anything, you have to enjoy it. When you feel yourself getting into top-notch shape, the feeling is great. I tell the kids not to get discouraged."

August 23rd is the first day of practice. The season starts three weeks later and runs to the middle of November. "Cross-country kids are tough. They run in all kinds of weather, from the heat of August to the chill of late fall, in rain and in snow. When you're done, you feel like you really accomplished something. And at the end of the season, we have our Western Mass. tournament, just like the other sports, so there is a chance for glory beyond the regular year," Dillon noted.

He admitted that he would like to find some "diamonds in the rough" to enjoy it all. "They are out there. They just have to want it."

If anyone is interested in trying cross-country, they can call Agawam High School and leave a message with Athletic Director Kathy McSweeney, so she can contact Dillon over the summer.

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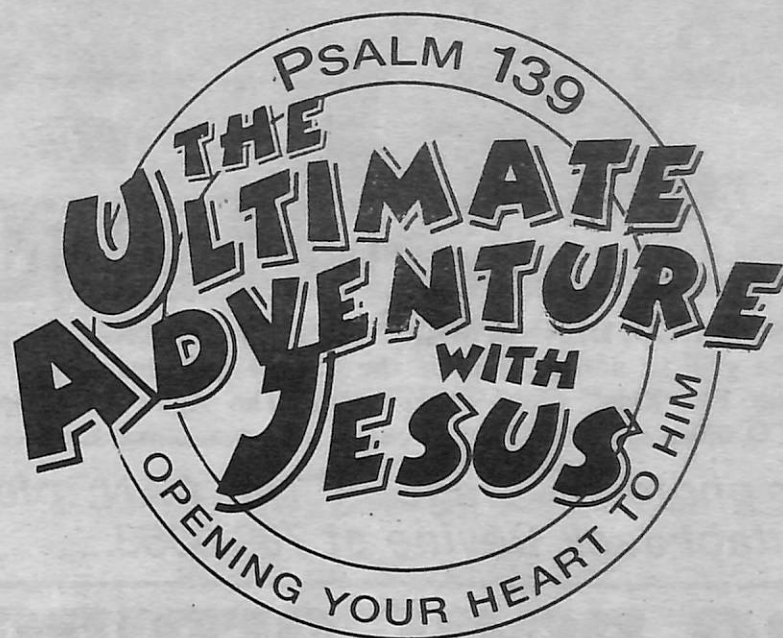
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AT THE "KAMP FOR KIDS" GOLF TOURNAMENT: top photo — John Conte and Joe Conte, Jr.; photo below — Don Hanna and Larry Benedict. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



RENZO FRIGO, DENNIS MARCHETTO, and DAN KING preparing the grill in anticipation of the hungry golf enthusiasts at the "Kamp For Kids" Golf Tournament. The Agawam Chapter of UNICO was a sponsor of this event. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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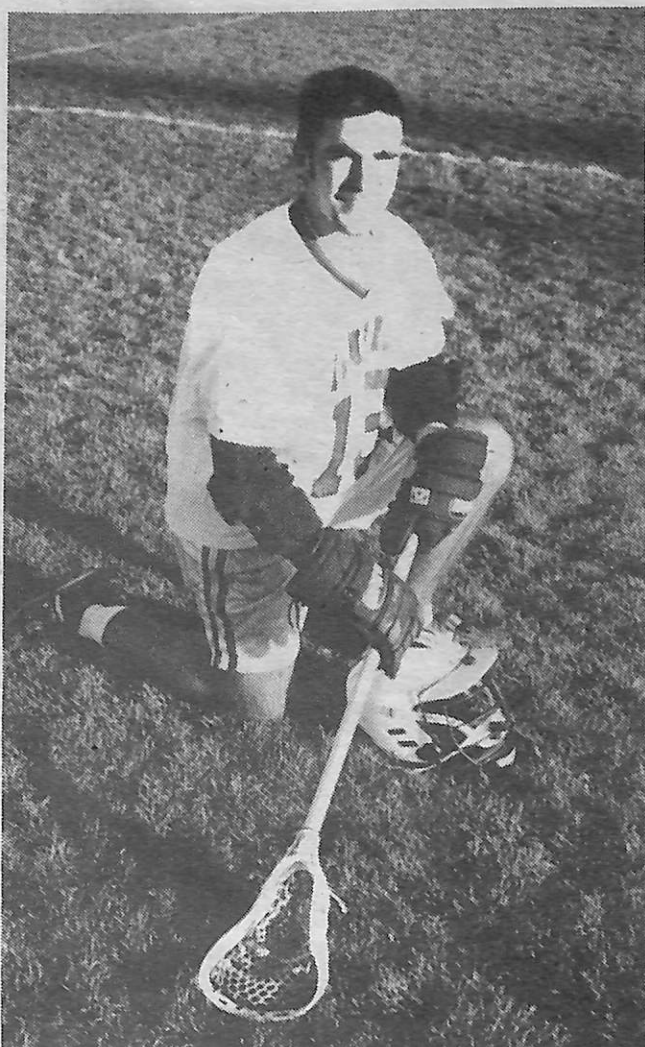
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**DAN BALBONY**, a 1999 graduate of AHS, starred for the boys' lacrosse team with 19 goals and 17 assists. Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.

## A Review Of The '99 Season For Boys' Lacrosse

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

Despite a frustrating, 5-4 loss in the first round of the Western Mass. tournament, Agawam High boys' lacrosse Coach Nick St. George was satisfied with his team's efforts during the recently-completed 1999 spring season.

The Brownie laxmen finished with a 7-11 overall record. "Yeah, we wanted to play .500 lacrosse going into the playoffs. But it didn't happen," St. George admitted. "However, we did make the post-season as the fifth seed."

That game with Minnechaug Regional (which was the number-four seed in the draw and had beaten the Brownies, 7-3, in the final regular-season game) was intense. "In that one, we played up to our capabilities. That gave us some confidence," St. George added, noting that in the third period, AHS hit the post on a couple of occasions.

This is only Agawam's third year of lacrosse competition at the varsity level. The coach says that while they won't lose a lot of talent next year, they'll have some rebuilding to do in the midfield. Gone will be Dan Balbony (19 goals, 17 assists) and Glenn Corlett (18 goals, 13 assists). "Both of them not only were forces on offense, they played great defense as well. And defense was the strength of our team," St. George pointed out.

The coach also gave kudos to other defenders who stepped up all season — juniors Kevin Grealis, Brian Gilhooly, and Matt Sharpe, and sophomores Greg Boisver and Joe Lancour.

Of course, the last line of defense is the goalie and Agawam had, in St. George's opinion, one of the best in Western Mass. in sophomore John DeCaro. "John made the big saves and gave up 109 goals in 18 games. That averages out to roughly six a game, which is great for lacrosse," St. George smiled.

While the midfielders got their goals and played the tight defense, attacker Dave Moore, a junior, led the offense with 34 goals and five assists. Moore, a star on the AHS wrestling team, was as aggressive on the field as he is on the mat, always putting on the pressure and never giving up.

Also showing well when Agawam had the ball were junior attacker Shawn Gloster and sophomore attacker Rob Parker.

Moore, Balbony, Corlett, Grealis, and DeCaro were named All-League. Gilhooly was an honorable mention.

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## Summer Hours For Perry Lane Pool

The Perry Lane pool is now open from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. This weekday schedule will be in effect until Friday, August 27th.

The pool will also be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m. now through August 29th.

Daily pool passes are available at the pool. The

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Highlights From...

## Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball All-Star Game

When all-star games are played, no matter where or when, sometimes the attitude is little more than, "Thanks for asking me to be part of the festivities." That was not the case at Agawam High School during the Annual Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League All-Star Game.

The players, chosen by their teams and also by the teams they compete against, were ready to rumble. The fans, who turned out en masse, were as excited as the competitors. As the evening progressed, it became clear that no one would leave Harmon Smith Field disappointed. Hard-nosed softball, chock-full-of great plays, was the name of this game. No one asked for or gave any quarter.

**Laura Balboni**, trying to stretch a double into a triple in the second inning, was injured sliding in to third. She was down and out as well. Others also displayed all-out hustle. **Julie Podbelski** showed why she is an all-star with some stellar defense, making several catches that seemed next to impossible. "Senior citizen" **Joan Lempke**, steady as always, led the way for the American League stars. The mother-and-daughter duo of **Cathy Jacobs** and **Julie Johnson** (American League) chipped in both at the plate and in the field, even though they ended up on the losing side, 14-7.

**Tammy "Psycho" Dufrante** pitched a great game for the Nationals. She had help from her defense, including some top-notch performances by **Julie Podbelski**, **Amy Gibson**, **Ramona Donahue**, and as always, long and tall **Sally Dawn Flagg** at first.

The hitting, as it usually is in this game, was excellent. Just about everyone can lay the bat on the ball and they did. But the defense was up to the hot bats. The score wasn't that important, nor was it descriptive of the game. Strategy, as it usually does in a high-scoring affair, paid off in the end for the Nationals. **Bumper Donahue** and **Hopper Grasseti** had control of the game from the get-go. American Coach **Alyson Manning** gave a great effort and made some inspired calls, but was slightly overmatched.

The game was fun for everyone. Being involved in a contest such as this one — which included introductions over the P.A. system, forming up along the first- and third-base lines, and hearing the cheers and applause for good play — put smiles on the faces of one and all.

(Submitted by Larry Wilson)



IT MAY BE CALLED "SLO-PITCH," but the action was anything but slow during the Annual Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League All-Star Game at Agawam High School. The "Nationals" defeated the "Americans," 14-7. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



## The 1999 Boys' Track Team At AHS...



IN LEFT PHOTO: back row — Mike Skowron, Billy Bond, Steve Messina, Mike Crough, and Joe Case; fifth row — Ben Peltier, Ryan Malanson, Shawn Poirier, Brian Michel, Jamie Delpeschio, Tim Chretien, and Chris Tedone; fourth row — Adam Sprague, Vinnie Tirone, Jerry Maloni, Andy Mutti, and Edwin Torres; third row — Phil Sampson, Bob Zajac, Barry Ward, Adam Escobar, Jason McKinnon, and Brian Lopes; second row — Assistant Coach Joe Bianca, Bob Fuller, Jay Plamondon, Rich Rodriguez, Joe Decaro, and Coach Bill Dillon; front row — Aaron Skowrya, Marc Pedraza, Josh Sprague, Jason Gagne, Tom Shibley, Rob Santinello, Jay Flood, and Justin Kratovil. IN RIGHT PHOTO (from left to right): Marc Pedraza, Josh Sprague, Coach Bill Dillon, Assistant Coach Joe Bianca, and Jason Gagne.

Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.





## Outdoors New England

by Kent Servis  
Outdoor Writer

### "Tools Of The Trade" For Fishing...

Every once in a while, I get a flurry of questions regarding "finding fish" when the going gets tough. Several years ago, I did a piece on the "tools of the trade" gadget-wise.

To answer some of these often-asked questions, I will excerpt from that article and share with some of our newer readers the information.

There is a vast expanse of gadgets and tools that will help you eliminate unproductive water; that is, water that does not hold concentrations of fish.

In any body of water, only about 10 percent of the water will hold about 90 percent of the fish populations. While the devices we will discuss today will not show you where the fish are, they can help to eliminate areas that will not hold fish on that given day or week.

Fish are cold-blooded, and their body metabolism is dependent on the temperature of the water. Some fish like trout and salmon are comfortable only in cooler water. They are generally referred to as cold-water fish.

Bass, pike, and panfish are usually referred to as warm-water fish, and as the name implies, they prefer warmer water.

This fact alone can help you to locate concentrations of fish in a body of water. If you are seeking trout or salmon, and the surface temperatures are in the high 70's, you can just about forget shallow trolling.

There are several digital temperature probes available on the market today. They consist of a temperature probe, a readout meter, and up to 100 feet of cord, allowing the probe to be lowered to any depth between zero and 100 feet.

This is useful in finding the depth at which the water temperature is within the comfort zone of the species you are after. If your sonar is not sensitive enough to show the suspended particles at the level of the thermocline, your temperature probe can be gradually lowered until the sharp drop in temperature is found.

Two other electronic gadgets that can be an aid to fish finding are the oxygen meter and a Ph. meter. Fish must rely on the dissolved oxygen in the water to breathe. Many factors such as current flow, water temperature, and other factors will cause the oxygen levels in some lakes and ponds to vary.

By eliminating areas of a lake or certain depths

of a lake that are poor in dissolved oxygen levels, you can stop wasting your time fishing in "dead water."

Ph. meters are another tool that can aid the angler in eliminating unproductive water. The term Ph. refers to the acidity or alkaline condition of the water. The number seven is considered neutral; that is, neither acetic or alkaline.

There are specific Ph. ranges that individual species prefer. By finding the areas of a lake that have the proper amount of oxygen, the proper Ph., and the right temperature range, the fish almost have to be there.

If you want to forgo the expense of an electronic Ph. meter, you can find a low-cost "cheat." Go to an aquarium store and buy the Ph. test strips that you use to measure the Ph. in your home tank.

Although it will not tell you the Ph. at different depths, it will at least tell you the reading at the surface. Such factors as an overabundance of decaying vegetation, acid rain, or man-made pollution can affect the Ph. levels in a body of water.

If the Ph. is way out of bounds, you just won't find fish in that area. In fact, water chemistry may be an even more important factor than temperature in determining fish location, or more importantly, locations where the fish just can't be.

Properly used, these products can certainly help to eliminate "dead water," especially in situations where you are fishing a new lake or body of water with which you are not familiar.

#### FISH REPORTS FRESH WATER

Kurt at Saunders Marina on Congamond Lakes in Southwick reports that the fishing pressure was down a bit over the weekend. Some anglers did manage to survive the heat and get a few decent bass. Try the deep dropoffs on the eastern shore of Middle Pond. Bottom bouncing jigs seem to be working.

George at BG's Pro Tackle in Enfield reports that the Connecticut River smallmouth are taking top water baits at early morning and in the evening hours. Fishermen wading below the dam are doing quite well at first light.

#### SALT WATER

Captain Joe Huckmeyer of the Helen H out of Hyannis reports that cod trips are almost filled up for the overnight trips. Recent action has been good, with very few throwbacks. Cod and pollack in the 30's and 20's have been common.

Greg Mercurio from the Yankee Capts. out of Gloucester gave similar reports of angler success, with one of last week's trips being among the best in his memory.

Small-boat fishermen are scoring on fluke off Misquamicut, and schoolie stripers are everywhere.

Larger bass are coming from the Watch Hill reefs, The Race, Valient Rock, and Long Sand shoal.

Smaller blues are showing in the morning hours at Cornfield Point just west of the mouth of the river in Old Saybrook. Small Kastmasters and Hopkins are taking their share.

## Coach & Captains...



LINDA KUNASEK (center), the coach of AHS's junior varsity softball team, with 1999 captains Amanda Galluzzo and Jen Burke.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## "Summer Skate To Ski Race Camp" Slated At Springfield College

The "Summer Skate to Ski Race Camp" at Springfield College is accepting applications for their August camp.

This year's training camp will take place the week of August 2nd-6th. All activities will be conducted on the campus of Springfield College.

Girls and boys ages nine through 16 that are interested in ski training or planning on ski racing this winter are encouraged to attend. Some of the activities include rope course, K2 demo day, skate gates, and other training equipment.

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# Racing At Riverside...

## Tough Competition A Weekly Feature At Riverside Park

In the opening weeks of the 1999 season, the competition at Riverside Park Speedway continues to top the charts. The NAPA Modified division, which features open-wheel, "tour-type" NASCAR Modifieds, has produced six different feature event winners in the first seven weeks.

"Any one of several Modifieds can win on Saturday night," stated David Deery, Director of Auto Racing at the quarter-mile NASCAR Winston Racing Series facility. "It's great for the fans, and the morale of the drivers is at an all-time high. Everyone is having fun racing, and all the divisions put on an awesome show!"

The only repeat Modified winner in the first seven races was Agawam driver Ricky Miller, who captured the first two events. "We are a little behind compared to where we started," says Miller. "But the other teams have done their homework, and gotten a lot better."

Miller, driver of the number 12 Vibrations Chevrolet, says the field of drivers ahead of him has made reaching the front a real challenge. "The times in the features have been really fast," explains Miller. "It just shows how (the teams) have equalled out, and the competition has gotten a lot better as a result."

In the Pro Stock division, there have been no repeat winners in the first seven events, and even the most dominant driver of the past three years has reached victory lane only once.

Three-time champion Eddy Carroll III of Longmeadow, MA, says better equipment has made better drivers. "This year has probably been the most competitive that I've seen in the 10 years that I've been racing. Almost everyone has upgraded their equipment or their chassis, and nearly everyone is capable of winning."

Carroll points out that after the third week of the season, when the handicapping system began, 220 laps have been run with very few cautions. "The better equipment has made everyone better, and we can all race side by side each week."

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Leading the way in tough competition has been the Sportsman division. Thirty-eight cars arrive in Agawam on a weekly basis, battling for the 28 starting spots in each 25-lap feature. It has produced some of the greatest racing of the year, where many drivers edge out victories by a matter of inches.

The quality competition has attracted drivers to the division from around New England, and from other divisions as well. "One of the reasons for the popularity of the Sportsman division has been the influx of talent from other racing divisions," says Deery. "Craig Collins (the 1998 Super Stock champion), Betty Anne Dobosz (the 1998 Figure 8 champion), and many other Super Stock veterans have moved into the Sportsman class for 1999."

"The competition at Riverside Park is a promoter's dream," continued Deery. "Week after week, the fans rise to their feet to see the finishes, and that's a real good indication of the quality of the racing."

Deery also added that many NASCAR Featherlite Modified Series regulars have towed to Agawam in the opening weeks of the season. Dan Avery, Dave Berghman, Ted Christopher, Ed Flemke, Jr., Chris Kopec, and Carl Pasteryak have all joined the ranks at Riverside Park during breaks in the NASCAR Featherlite Modified Series schedule.

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On Saturday, June 5th...

## Ricky Miller Returns To Top Form In Modifieds

On Saturday, June 5th, at Riverside Park Speedway, Ricky Miller of Agawam returned to early-season form with his third win of the season in the NAPA Modified division.

Miller, who captured the first two races of the season at Riverside Park, was joined in victory lane by fellow Agawam resident Tom Fearn, who captured his second Pro Stock win of the season. Fearn was also an opening-night winner at the quarter-mile NASCAR Winston Racing Series facility.

Pat Kretschman of Shelton, CT, raced to his third victory of the season in the Teddy Bear Pools Trucks, and Glen Reilly of Northford, CT, won his first race of the year in the Sportsman division.

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A full field of the powerful, open-wheeled machines lined up to start the 50-lap Modified feature race, and Miller showed the way for most of the distance. With the NASCAR Featherlite Modified Series taking June 5th off, many regulars on that touring series came to Agawam to sharpen their skills.

But Miller's skills were the ones on display, as he charged forward early from the eighth starting position and survived several late race restarts before piloting his number 12 Vibrations Chevrolet to victory lane. Ted Riggott finished second, followed by Rob Summers, Eddy Spiers, and Bob Polverari.

Fearn, driving the number 92 Commercial Disposal Grand Prix, overtook Springfield, MA driver Patrick Townsend with 23 laps remaining, and stayed ahead of Rich Vasseur and defending champion Eddy Carroll before cruising in for the victory. Jeff Connors was fourth behind Vasseur and Carroll at the line, and John Lobo came home fifth.

Known affectionately by fans as "The Flintstone Flyer," Kretschman joined East Granby, CT's Ernie Tarca as the only Teddy Bear Pools Truck pilot to claim three wins in the 1999 season. It was Kretschman's second consecutive win behind the wheel of his Wayne's Auto Body-sponsored Ford F150. Points leader Mike Salmond finished second, followed by E.J. Lagacy, Ted Chalmers, and Tarca.

Reilly, driving the number 99 World Gym Buick, pulled ahead with 12 laps remaining, and crossed the line ahead of defending Sportsman champion Jon Waterhouse for his first win of the season. Craig Collins, the 1998 Super Stock champion, has moved into the Sportsman division for 1999, and posted an impressive third-place finish behind Sportsman veterans Reilly and Waterhouse. Ed Ricard, another graduate of the Super Stocks, finished fourth, followed by Herb Carlson.

Before the features began, three drivers were inducted into the Riverside Park Speedway Hall of Fame. Rene "The Champ" Charland, Gary Colturi, and Russ McLean were honored for their accomplishments with ovations from the crowd during their inductions. Colturi and McLean were inducted posthumously, while Charland, a four-time national Sportsman champion, was on hand for the festivities.

On Saturday, June 12th...

## Bob Polverari Collects His 36th Career Win

On Saturday night, June 12th, the 50-lap NAPA Modified main event ended in a flurry of sparks at the finish line as Dave Berube and Ted Riggott fought for position, but five-time track champion Bob Polverari prevailed and captured his 36th career win at Riverside Park Speedway.

Other winners from this night were New Britain, CT's Rob Valerio in the 30-lap Teddy Bear Pools Truck feature; Springfield, MA driver Norm Ashline in the 25-lap Sportsman feature; and Bristol, CT's Don Pinette in the Figure 8 division. The New England Legends Cars were also in action, and Plainfield, CT's Shawn Buffington captured the win.

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Polverari, of West Springfield, MA, motored his way to the front from his eighth starting position, taking the lead with 38 laps remaining. Behind the 62 year-old legend, Berube, Riggott, and Joe Czarnecki fought fiercely for position. After the white flag flew, Berube, Riggott, and Eddy Spiers raced three-wide in the fourth turn.

The near-capacity crowd rose to its feet, craning to see who would get the best finish possible as Polverari crossed the line. Suddenly Berube and Riggott both slammed the wall, and Spiers ducked underneath to pick up the second spot ahead of Ricky Miller. Rob Summers steered clear of the wreck, but got his wheels entangled with defending champion Jimmy Broderick. Summers crossed the finish line in the air, picking up the fourth position. Broderick held on to finish fifth as both drivers slid to a stop in the first-turn wall.

In the Teddy Bear Pools Truck feature, Valerio lined up fourth to start the race. After a few early cautions, Valerio jumped into the lead and cruised to his first win of the season. Ludlow, MA driver Mike Salmond came home second after a tough battle with defending truck champion Ted Chalmers. Three-time feature winner Ernie Tarca was third, followed by Skip Breunig and Chalmers.

A total of 27 battling sportsman cars lined up to start their 25-lap event, and Ashline raced ahead from his fifth starting spot. Still in his first year of the Sportsman class, Ashline held off defending division champion Jon Waterhouse in the closing laps, earning his second win of the season. Tony Keilty was third, followed by Dennis Brilla and Glen Reilly in fifth place.

The Figure 8 division showcased their daredevil racing style with a 20-lap event. Pinette's third win of the season came ahead of division mainstays Leon Goulet, Joe Jacobs, John Gagnon, and John Albert.

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**Riverside Racing - continued...***On Saturday, June 19th...***Tom Jensen And Ricky Miller Earn Modified Victories**

In an emotional night at Riverside Park Speedway, Wolcott, Connecticut's Tom Jensen and Agawam's Ricky Miller captured modified feature wins just days after Riverside Park's announcement that 1999 will be the final season of auto racing at the historic quarter-mile track.

In the newly-sponsored Teddy Bear Pools Pro Stock division, Todd Owen of Somers, Connecticut captured the 40-lap feature win, one night after winning the Stafford (CT) Motor Speedway ProStock 100. Kris Valerio of Bristol, Connecticut won the 30-lap Teddy Bear Pools Truck feature, and George Colton of Somers, Connecticut won the 25-lap Sportsman feature. Henry Dickinson of Torrington, Connecticut captured the 10-lap NUSTAR Sportsman feature, a new edition to Riverside Park's Saturday night NASCAR Winston Racing Series program.

In the first of twin 35-lap NAPA Modified features, Jensen returned to Victory Lane behind the wheel of Luther Hosmer's number 28 machine. After missing most of the 1998 season, it was Jensen's first win since May 17, 1997. Dave Etheridge of Portland, Connecticut finished second, followed by Ted Riggott, Eddy Spiers, and Miller in fifth place.

Miller's fifth-place finish in the first race earned him a second starting position for the next 35-lapper alongside pole-sitter Renee Dupuis of Glastonbury, Connecticut. Miller charged to the front, and held off the tough challenges of Riggott before collecting his fourth win of the year. Riggott finished second in the second feature, followed by Spiers, Dupuis, and Brad Hietala in fifth place.

Owen's win in the 40-lap Teddy Bear Pools Pro Stock feature topped a memorable weekend for Owen, whose win on Friday night was his career first at Stafford.

Jay Miller of East Granby, Connecticut finished behind Owen, followed by three-time defending champion Eddy Carroll III, Les Hinckley III, and Tom Fearn in fifth place. After quickly celebrating in Victory Lane, Owen strapped in to the number 73 modified for the second 35-lap feature, finishing 22nd.

Kris Valerio marched to the front ahead of Wilbraham driver Brian Merchant, and cruised to the victory in a caution-free 30-lap truck feature. Merchant pursued Valerio for most of the race, but wound up finishing second. Defending champion Ted Chalmers was third, followed by Ernie Tarca and points leader Mike Salmond in fifth place. Valerio's win came on the heels of her brother, Rob's, win in the truck feature one week earlier.

In the 25-lap Sportsman main event, Colton drove to the front on lap 9, and held on for his first win of the year. Defending Sportsman champion Jon Waterhouse came up from his 17th starting position to chase Colton in the final laps, but came up short with a second-place finish. Dennis Brilla was third, followed by Doug Goetz, and Glen Reilly in fifth place.

Riverside Park officials recently announced that 1999 will be the final season of racing in Agawam, bringing many sentimental fans out to enjoy the exciting Saturday night program. Riverside Park Speedway has planned several special events over the remainder of the season to commemorate its 51-year racing history. The final auto racing event will be held in early October.

For more information, call (413) 786-9300 or visit [www.riversideparkspeedway.com](http://www.riversideparkspeedway.com) on the world wide web.

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**Tigers Complete Long ASA Careers**

**THESE FIVE PLAYERS** from the Agawam Soccer Association's U14 Agawam Tigers were members of the original Tigers team that began playing in the Pioneer Valley Girls' Junior Soccer League back in the fall of 1993. The girls played six fall seasons, six spring seasons, six Columbus Day Tournaments, six Memorial Day Tournaments, and six Labor Day Tournaments, as well as other tournaments and playoff games. This year's Tigers reached the Division I finals before bowing to Westfield, 1-0. From left - Meaghan Brown, Kaitlin Sardella, Vicky Taylor, Danielle Cirillo, and Melissa Savenko.

**Golf Tip Of The Week...**

Compiled by  
**Jim Modzelesky,**  
PGA  
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**The Double-Club Warm-Up...**

Here's a good drill to help you warm up and develop a well-balanced swing.

Take two clubs. Grip one club in your right hand and the other in the left. (It's a good idea to take conservative clubs — a 4- and a 5-iron, instead of, say, a 4- and an 8-iron.)

Now swing them back and forth normally. They shouldn't touch each other. If they do, then one of your hands is dominant in the swing, and it shouldn't be.

If the club in your right hand bangs into the club in your left hand, the right hand is too dominant. Concentrate on using the left hand more, and vice versa.

Soon you'll be swinging with an equal contribution from each hand.

**Keenan's Office Has "Westfield River User's Guide"**

State Representative Daniel F. Keenan is pleased to share with his constituents a user's guide to the Westfield River. Anyone interested in obtaining a *Westfield River User's Guide* should contact Rep. Keenan's office at (413) 786-4545.

The guide contains a map of the area, and a list of recreational activities such as cultural events, museums, public parks, and historic and scenic sites along the river. There is also a list of places where camping, canoeing, and bicycling opportunities can be found.

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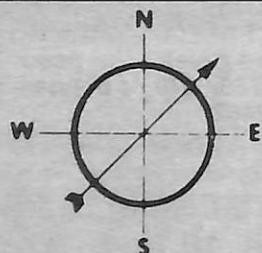
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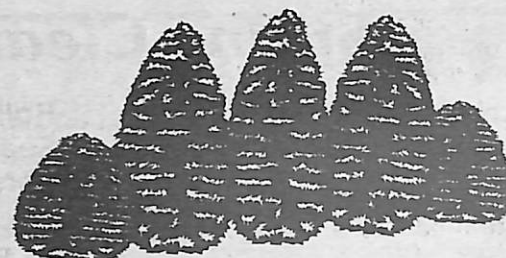
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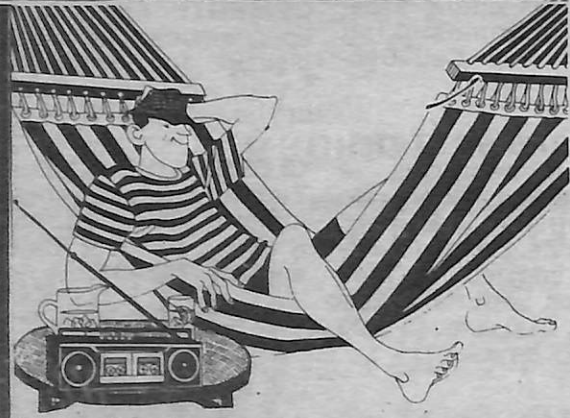
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